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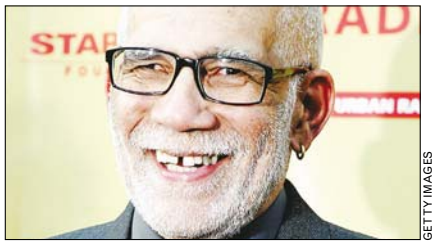

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Allen Out, Dems Get Majority

Concession makes Webb win official in 'brutal campaign'

ALEXANDRIA, VA. | Republican Sen. George Allen graciously conceded defeat Thursday after a bruising battle against Democrat Jim Webb, sealing the Democrats' control of Congress and the political downfall of a man once considered a White House contender.

Allen said the "owners of government have spoken and I respect their decision."

Webb, a former Republican and Navy secretary under President Reagan, claimed victory early Wednesday after election returns showed him with a narrow lead of about 7,200 votes out of 2.37 million ballots cast.

Allen chose not to demand a recount when initial canvassing of the results failed to significantly alter Webb's lead.

On Thursday, Webb's supporters roared when he took his Marine son's battered combat boots from a bag and held them high above his head at a rally. Webb, whose son is fighting in Iraq, had worn the boots throughout what he called "an unnecessarily brutal campaign."

The Virginia contest was the last undecided Senate race in the country, and Webb's victory tipped the scales, giving the Democrats control of 51 Senate seats and majorities in both the House and Senate for the first time since 1994. (AP)

SELF-HELP | **He Won, No Thanks to Him** You need the right identification to vote in South Carolina — even if you're the governor. He had a driver's license with his name on it. And a ballot with his name on it. But Gov. Mark Sanford still had to go back

home and get his voter identification card Tuesday before he could vote. The state's first lady cast a ballot, but the Republican governor had to produce the right card before he finally voted — 90 minutes after first being turned away. (EXPRESS) **EyeOpeners** | **Page 2**

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SHOPPING BAGS

Paper, Plastic Or Silk?

A lingerie maker has created a bra with a lining that unfolds to become a handheld shopping bag, the Sun (U.K.) reported. Catoring to customers who dislike the waste of plastic shopping bags, Triumph International Japan designed the bra bag out of recycled polyester fiber with straps that are used to tie the bag. "What deserves the most attention is the significance of each and every customer understanding the importance of not using plastic bags," a Triumph spokesman said. The company is now seeking a patent for the bra. (EXPRESS)

CRIMINALS

He Was Most Wanted By Voters, Too

Voters in Niota, Tenn., elected James Wayne Cagle to the city commission, apparently unaware he was on the sheriff's most-wanted list in a neighboring county. Cagle edged incumbent Allen J. Watkins by a single vote, even though Cagle was on the Monroe County Sheriff's 10 most-wanted list on Oct. 29 and Nov. 5 for two outstanding charges. Cagle's driver's license was revoked after he failed to appear in court to answer to charges of driving on a revoked license — and failing to show proof of insurance — this year and of writing a bad check to a grocery store in 2004, court officials said. (AP)

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ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Nerve-Rattling

Babies put rattles in their mouths. People with the equivalent brainpower of babies put rattlers in their mouths. For example, Jackie "The Texas Snakeman" Bibby held 10 2-foot-6-inch-long western diamondback rattlesnakes in his mouth for 12.5 seconds on Thursday in New York, in an attempt to set a new Guinness World Record for most live rattlesnakes held in a person's mouth. The event was part of Guinness World Records Day, in which people around the globe celebrated by acting ridiculous. (EXPRESS)

BARGOERS

Then He Comes Back All Hours of the Night

A York, England, dog owner is chaining up his dog to prevent it from jumping on a bus and going to a pub, where it received food handouts, the York Post reported. Gary Kay's terrier, "Ratty," had gotten into the habit of jumping on the bus and riding it to the stop by the Black Bull pub. The dog would exit and wait around to be fed sausages by a barmaid. Eventually, managers decided they no longer wanted the dog on the property. (EXPRESS)

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Y2K IN SPACE: NASA shuttle Discovery is awaiting an early launch in an effort to avoid potential New Year's Eve computer glitches. The worry is that shuttle computers aren't designed to make the change from the 365th day of the old year to the first day of the new year while in flight.

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In Brief

PORTLAND, ORE.

Deadly Rainstorms Wipe Out Roads at Mt. Hood

Heavy rain and flooding, already blamed for three deaths in the Pacific Northwest, washed out a major highway near Mount Hood and forced the shutdown of 67 miles of the North Cascades Highway in Washington state Thursday. The White River flowed over Oregon Route 35 on Mount Hood's eastern flank on Monday and Tuesday, cutting 20-foot-deep ruts through the road and sending boulders and trees rolling down the mountainside, officials said. (AP)

BAXTER, CALIF.

1 Killed, 2 Trapped After Mountain Train Derailment

A train maintaining railroad tracks derailed in the mountains east of Sacramento on Thursday, killing one person, injuring several others and sparking a fire in the heavily forested area. Two people were believed trapped in the wreckage of the train, which was loaded with thousands of gallons of diesel and hydraulic fuel. Thick, black smoke could be seen billowing from the scene. (AP)

The President, Parsed

➜ Did President Bush make a rare admission that he had told an untruth over Rumsfeld, or had he engaged in a routine dodge, Howard Kurtz wonders. | Today, A Section

IN The Washington Post

Schumer, Emanuel Credited in Wins

Lawmakers celebrated for steering Democrats to Congress majorities

WASHINGTON | Excuse the fathers of the Democrats' improbable success — Sen. Chuck Schumer and Rep. Rahm Emanuel — if they do a bit of chest-thumping, high-fiving and strutting.

After all, Democrats began 2006 as underdogs in a one-party town and will end it as victors, capturing control of the House and Senate for the first time in 12 years as not a single Democratic incumbent lost a re-election bid.

A wave of anti-war, anti-Republican sentiment propelled Democrats to upend the status quo and seize GOP-held seats across the board. But a good chunk of the credit has gone to the captains of the campaign effort: Schumer and Emanuel, two fast-talking, hard-charging politicians.

MICHAEL ROBINSON CHAVES/TWP

Sens. Charles Schumer, D-N.Y., Harry Reid, D-Nev., and Richard Durbin, D-Ill., hold a victory rally at the Capitol on Thursday after big Democratic wins on Tuesday.

"I'd say it was 65 percent Republican mistakes and 35 percent Democratic successes," Schumer said in an interview Thursday. "First and most important, George Bush did not change direction when people were demanding it. We also recruited great candidates ... and we got the resources."

A "political genius," Sen. Harry Reid, D-Nev., said of Schumer, the Brooklyn-born, two-term New York senator who oversaw the Democratic Senatorial Campaign Committee.

The party faced long odds to gain six Republican seats, but sealed it Thursday when Virginia Sen. George Allen conceded to Jim Webb — a Schumer choice.

Reid has already asked Schumer to stay on as chairman, and the senator said: "I'm thinking about it very seriously."

In 2008, Senate Republicans will defend 21 seats and Democrats 12, better Democratic math than this year's 15 and 17 plus one Democratic-leaning independent. DEVLIN BARRETT AND CHRISTOPHER WILLS (AP)

Mass. Unlikely to Reverse Marriages

BOSTON | Massachusetts lawmakers on Thursday again avoided taking a formal stand on a proposed constitutional amendment that would ban same-sex marriage, recessing a constitutional convention instead of taking up the thorny issue.

If lawmakers do not vote on the measure before the next Legislature takes office, the measure will not appear on the November 2008 ballot. A vote appeared unlikely because they recessed until Jan. 2, the last day this Legislature is in session.

ELISE AMENDOLA/AP

Same-sex marriage opponents rally outside the Statehouse on Thursday.

Lawmakers voted 196-0 to reject a proposed amendment that would invalidate thousands of same-sex marriages already conducted, but decided to recess without voting on another measure that would bar such marriages only after the amendment was enacted.

The Massachusetts Supreme Judicial Court ruled in 2003 that the state's constitution guarantees gays and lesbians the right to marry in Massachusetts. (AP)

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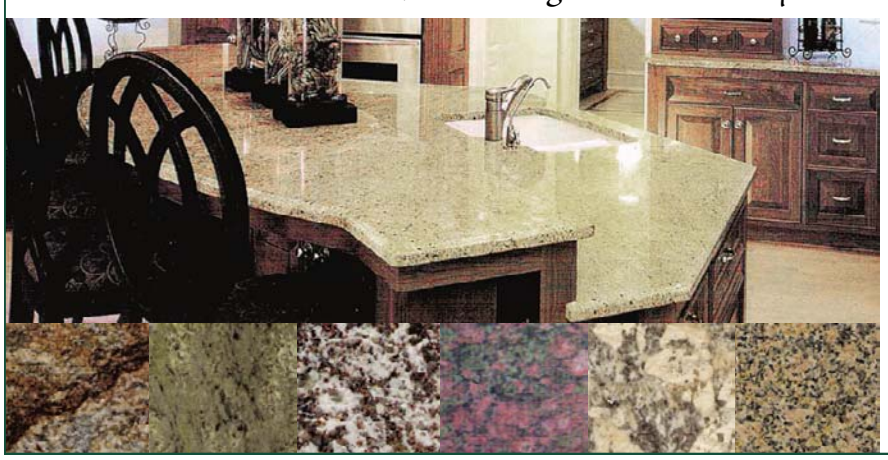

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FAKED OUT: A Massachusetts city council is urging state legislators to ban pellet guns that aren't brightly colored after a police officer last month shot and killed a man who had drawn one.

Bush, Pelosi Talk Agenda

President and House speaker-to-be pledge to move past elections

WASHINGTON | President Bush made nice with Speaker-to-be Nancy Pelosi after Democrats gave his Republicans a trouncing on Election Day, but not before handing House GOP leaders a long legislative wish-list for the lameduck session that they'll orchestrate.

After a bitter campaign that sometimes got personal between the president and the woman to be House speaker, the two had a make-up luncheon at the White House. Appearing publicly in the Oval Office after an hour of private discussions, the pair emphasized finding common ground and ignoring talk of bedeviling specifics, such as their division over the Iraq war.

Bush extended the lunch invitation after this week's election that will put Democrats in charge of the House and the Senate for the final two years of his presidency. Earlier, after meeting with his Cabinet and Republican leaders from the House and Senate, the president ticked off a to-do list for the current Congress before January's changeover in power.

It included: spending bills funding government's continued operation "with strong fiscal discipline and without diminishing our capacity to fight the war on terror;" legislation retroactively authorizing his warrantless domestic surveillance of suspected terrorists; energy legislation; and congressional approval for a landmark nuclear cooperation agreement with India. JENNIFER LOVEN (AP)

PABLO MARTINEZ MONSIVAIS/AP

President Bush shakes hands with Democratic House Leader Rep. Nancy Pelosi of Calif., during their meeting in the Oval Office in Washington on Thursday.

'60 Minutes' Reporter Ed Bradley Dies at 65

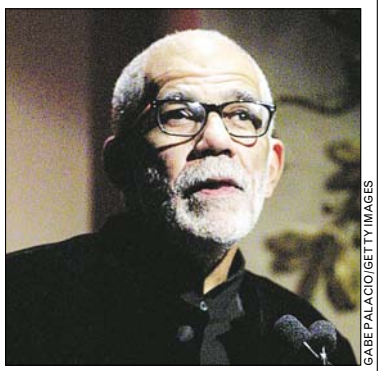
Pioneering CBS News journalist remembered for skilled interviews

NEW YORK | Ed Bradley, the award-winning television journalist who broke racial barriers at CBS News and created a distinctive, powerful body of work during his 26 years on "60 Minutes," died Thursday. He was 65. Bradley died of leukemia at Mount Sinai hospital, CBS News announced.

He landed many memorable interviews, including the Duke lacrosse players accused of rape, Michael Jackson and the only TV interview with Oklahoma City bomber Timothy McVeigh.

Bradley "was tough in an interview, he was insistent on getting an interview," said former CBS anchor Walter Cronkite, "and at the same time when the interview was over, when the subject had taken a pretty heavy lashing by him — they left as friends. He was that kind of guy."

Bradley's consummate skills were recognized with numerous awards, including four George Foster Peabody awards and 19 Emmys. FRAZIER MOORE (AP)



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Ed Bradley won numerous awards during his 26 years reporting at CBS News.

Recount Likely In Rep. Harris' District in Fla.

SARASOTA, FLA. | The touch-screen voting machines Katherine Harris championed as secretary of state after the 2000 presidential recount may have botched this year's election to replace her in the U.S. House, and it's likely going to mean another Florida recount.

More than 18,000 Sarasota County voters who marked other races didn't have a vote register in the House race, a rate much higher than the rest of the district, elections results show.

Florida Secretary of State Sue Cobb sent a team to Sarasota County on Thursday to observe the expected recount and audit the county's touch-screen voting machines. The county's elections supervisor, Kathy Dent, had requested the team after one of the candidates reported complaints about voting machines malfunctioning. (AP)

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Bolton Is Unlikely to Win Senate Approval

Bush pick for envoy to U.N. faces opposition from a key Republican

WASHINGTON | John Bolton's prospects for staying on as U.N. ambassador essentially died Thursday as Democrats and a pivotal Republican said they would continue to oppose his nomination.

It was another blow to President Bush, two days after Democrats triumphed in elections that will give them control of Congress next year.

On Thursday, the White House resubmitted Bolton's nomination to the Senate, where the appointment has languished for more than a year. Bush appointed him to the job temporarily in August 2005 while Congress was in recess, an appointment that will expire when the Congress adjourns, in January.

ADAM ROUNTREE/AP

Envoy John Bolton listens to testimony at the United Nations on Thursday.

Sen. Lincoln Chafee, R-R.I., who was defeated by Democrat Sheldon Whitehouse on Tuesday, said he would continue opposing Bolton. That would likely deny Republicans the votes needed to move Bolton's nomination from the Senate Foreign Relations Committee to the full Senate.

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—**British Foreign Secretary Margaret Beckett**, on the prospects for Iraq amid U.S. political changes

World

In Brief

SANKATHI WEBSITE/AFP/GETTY IMAGES

A Tamil-released photo shows a refugee camp hit by government shelling.

COLOMBO, SRI LANKA

Rebels Say 26 Sailors Killed After Military Shells School

Tamil Tiger rebels said Thursday that they have killed at least 26 Sri Lankan sailors and caught four others alive in a fierce sea battle off the northern Jaffna peninsula. The fighting came as the United Nations and a rights group denounced the Sri Lankan military's shelling of a school Wednesday in which at least 23 Tamil civilians were killed and scores injured. (AP)

MEXICO CITY

Legislature Votes to Legally Recognize Gay Civil Unions

Mexico City's assembly on Thursday voted for the first time in the country's history to legally recognize gay civil unions, a measure that will provide same-sex couples with benefits similar to those of married couples. The mayor was expected to sign the measure into law. The bill, which does not approve gay marriage, allows same-sex couples to register their union with civil authorities, granting them a range of benefits. Heterosexual couples who are not legally married can also be registered under the legislation. (AP)

LAGOS, NIGERIA

6 Hostages Escape After Gunmen Seize Oil Facility

Six hostages escaped Thursday from a southern oil facility where they had been held along with dozens of others since armed men raided the Italian-run pumping station, company officials said. Forty-eight Nigerian employees of Agip were seized Monday when armed protesters overran an oil pumping station, shutting off around 50,000 barrels of crude production per day. (AP)

Official: 150,000 Iraqis Killed in War

Health minister offers casualty estimate amid new sectarian violence

BAGHDAD, IRAQ | A stunning new death count emerged Thursday, as Iraq's health minister estimated at least 150,000 civilians have been killed in the war — about three times previously accepted estimates.

Moderate Sunni Muslims, meanwhile, threatened to walk away from politics and pick up guns, while the Shiite-dominated government renewed pressure on the U.S. to unleash the Iraqi army and claimed it could crush violence in six months.

After Democrats swept to majorities in both houses of the U.S. Congress and Defense Secretary Donald H. Rumsfeld resigned, Iraqis appeared unsettled and seemed to sense the potential for an even bloodier conflict because future American policy is uncertain.

Previous estimates of Iraq deaths held that 45,000 to 50,000 have been killed in the nearly 44-month-old conflict, according to partial figures from Iraqi institutions and media reports.

No official count has ever been available, and Health Minister Ali al-Shemari did not detail how he arrived at the estimate of 150,000, which he provided to reporters during a visit to the Austrian capital.

But later Thursday, Hassan Salem, of the Supreme Council for the Islamic Revolution in Iraq, the country's largest Shiite political organization, said the 150,000 figure included civilians, police and the bodies of people who were abducted, later found dead and collected at morgues run by the Health Ministry.

At least 45 Iraqis were killed or found dead in sectarian violence Thursday, with 16 of the victims killed in bombings at Baghdad markets. For the fifth straight day, insurgent and militia fighters traded fire in the capital's northern neighborhoods. STEVEN R. HURST (AP)

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GRIM REALITIES: Iraqis carry the coffin of a man killed in sectarian violence during a funeral procession in Karbala on Thursday.

Israel's Olmert Says Strikes Will Continue in Gaza

BEIT HANOUN, GAZA STRIP | Israel will keep targeting Palestinian rocket squads in Gaza despite the risk of inadvertently hitting civilians, Israeli Prime Minister Ehud Olmert said Thursday, as tens of thousands of Palestinians buried 18 victims of an errant Israeli artillery strike.

Women collapsed in grief, gunmen fired in the air and a man hoisted his dead baby aloft during the funeral procession in the northern Gaza border town of Beit Hanoun, where several Israeli shells struck a residential area early Wednesday. All of the dead belonged to a single extended family.

While taking a tough line toward militants, Olmert appealed to moderate Palestinian President Mahmoud Abbas for talks.

At an economic conference in Tel Aviv, Olmert said, "I'm ready anytime, anyplace, without preconditions. ... I can offer him a lot."

On Thursday Abbas called his main political rival, Hamas' supreme leader Khaled Mashaal — a move that could help prevent the Islamic militant group from renewing attacks on Israel and also pave the way for a moderate Palestinian government. (AP)

BY THE NUMBERS: Two out of three people in South Asia lack basic sanitation, putting the region on a par with sub-Saharan Africa, a U.N. report says. Out of the 2.6 billion people around the world who lack access to sanitation, 1.9 billion are in Asia, which is also home to 720 million out of the 1.1 billion people globally without satisfactory access to water. (AP)

'Borat' May Not Make It to Russian Theaters

MOSCOW | "Borat" may be banned in Russia.

A government agency said it would refuse to grant permission for Sacha Baron Cohen's controversial comedy "Borat: Cultural Learnings of America for Make Benefit Glorious Nation of Kazakhstan" to be shown in theaters in Russia, its distributor said Thursday.

The Federal Agency for Culture and Cinematography said the film could offend some viewers and contained material that "might seem disparaging in relation to certain ethnic groups and religions," according to Vadim Ivanov, theatrical sales director at Twentieth Century Fox C.I.S.

Ivanov said he hoped the agency would relent and that the film will premiere in Russia as scheduled on Nov. 30. Ivanov said he was unaware of an instance in which Russian authorities have banned a non-pornographic movie.

Borat

The raucous, satiric "Borat" pokes fun at Americans through the guise of Cohen's Kazakh TV journalist character he originated on TV in his "Da Ali G Show." The spoof documentary follows Cohen's Borat on a U.S. cross-country trip.

The character suggests Kazakhs drink horse urine, view prostitution, rape and incest as respectable, and are openly anti-Semitic. (AP)

World

44 | **The percentage of Afghans** polled in a U.S.-funded survey who felt that their country was headed in the right direction. Corruption and bad governance, not lack of security, were the biggest reasons Afghans felt their country was headed in the wrong direction, the poll said.

ICC Opens Case Over Child Fighters

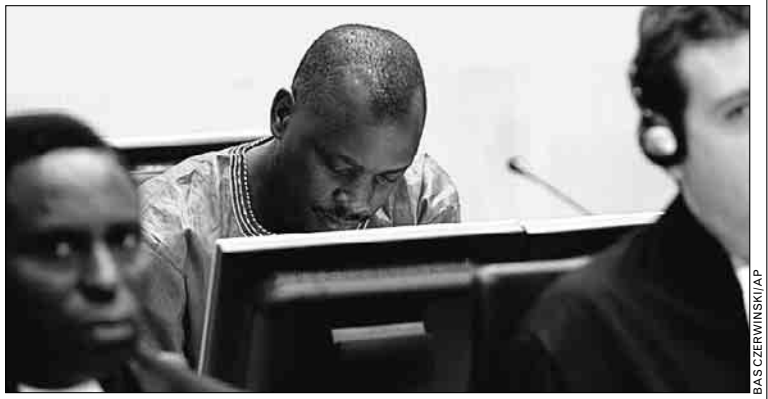
Evidence against accused Congolese warlord to be weighed

THE HAGUE, NETHERLANDS | The children were as young as 10 — boys and girls — when they were snatched from their families, trained to kill and sent to fight for an alleged African warlord's brutal militia.

Outlining for the first time evidence against the only suspect in the International Criminal Court's custody, prosecutors said Thursday that accused Congolese warlord Thomas Lubanga's forces gave the children a stark choice: kill or be killed.

The hearing is meant to determine whether the evidence against Lubanga is strong enough to merit a trial. It would be the first trial at the court, which started work in 2002.

Prosecutors say Lubanga's case will demonstrate to military leaders that they can no longer force children to fight their battles with impunity. The United Nations estimates that some 300,000 child soldiers are involved in conflicts around the world.



BAS CZERWINSKI/AP

Alleged Congolese warlord Thomas Lubanga, center, attends the hearing Thursday.

Prosecutors say Lubanga's Union of Congolese Patriots and its armed wing, the FPLC, recruited children or snatched them from the streets before training them to kill members of rival tribes.

Defense lawyers contend Lubanga is a pacifist politician who was trying to restore calm in Congo's lawless Ituri region. Lubanga's defense attorney asked the court to suspend the hearing due to an appeal on jurisdiction. (AP)

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Money

SO TAXING: The new standard deduction for married couples filing a joint income tax return will rise $400 to $10,700 next year following inflation adjustments, the IRS reports. The deduction for singles and married individuals filing separately will go up $200 to $5,350.

11M Bottles of Painkiller Recalled

WASHINGTON | Check your medicine cabinet: Millions of bottles of the widely used pain reliever acetaminophen — some sold as many as three years ago — are being recalled because they may contain metal fragments.

The recall affects 11 million bottles containing varying quantities of 500-milligram acetaminophen caplets made by the Perrigo Co. The pills were sold under store brands by Wal-Mart, CVS, Safeway and more than 120 other major retailers, the Food and Drug Administration said. There were no immediate reports of injuries or illness.

The contaminated pills included metal fragments ranging in size from "microdots" to portions of wire one-third of an inch long, the FDA said.

Perrigo discovered the metal bits during quality-control checks done after the company discovered its equipment was wearing down prematurely, the FDA said.

Acetaminophen is best known as the drug in products sold under the Tylenol brand, but is widely available in generic versions. (AP)

Pill pullback: For more details on the acetaminophen recall, go to **www.fda.gov**

Market Action

New York Stock Exchange

Gainers

STOCK	LAST	DAILY CHANGE	DAILY PERCENT CHANGE
Goodyear	17.54	+2.37	+15.6
TreeHse n	28.09	+3.50	+14.2
MillerInds	23.76	+2.69	+12.8
WldFuel	47.57	+4.63	+10.8
QtmDSS	2.19	+.21	+10.6

Losers

WestwOne	6.98	-1.42	-16.9
ScottishRe	8.02	-1.05	-11.6
IntstHtls	7.93	-.79	-9.1
MaidenBrd	19.30	-1.89	-8.9
ExprsJet	7.02	-.54	-7.1

NASDAQ Stock Market

Gainers

STOCK	LAST	DAILY CHANGE	DAILY PERCENT CHANGE
e-Future n	14.28	+3.24	+29.3
TargGen rs	3.23	+.70	+27.7
Poniard h rs	6.44	+1.24	+23.8
EssexCp	23.55	+3.57	+17.9
Iomai n	6.18	-.03	-0.5

Losers

Jupitrmed	5.83	-3.27	-35.9
Imax Cp	3.39	-1.45	-30.0
FieldInv	5.80	-1.74	-23.1
eResrch	6.00	-1.75	-22.6
FoxHollw	28.90	-7.01	-19.5

Rates

	CURRENT	PREVIOUS WEEK
Prime Rate	8.25	8.25
Fed Funds close	5.25	5.25
3-month disc	5.12	4.93
2-year	4.74	4.68
10-year	4.63	4.60
30-year	4.73	4.72

Currency (Dollars in foreign currency)

	TODAY	PREVIOUS DAY	YEAR AGO
British Pound	.5248	.5246	.5739
Canadian Dollar	1.1290	1.1300	1.1833
European Euro	.7798	.7829	.8501
Japanese Yen	117.97	117.73	117.47
Mexican Peso	10.9220	10.8563	10.7010
Taiwanese Dollar	32.93	32.87	33.62

DOW	NASDAQ	S&P 500
-73.24	-8.93	-7.39
-0.60	-0.37	-0.53
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Pharmacy Stocks

STOCK	LAST	DAILY CHANGE	YEAR TO DATE PERCENT CHANGE
AbtLab	45.84	-1.44	+16.3
Allergan	107.37	-3.63	-.5
AstraZen	57.97	-2.03	+19.3
BarrPhm	48.18	-1.61	-22.7
BrMySq	24.58	-.23	+7.0
ForestLab	47.37	-.68	+16.4
Hospira	31.98	-1.32	-25.2
IvaxCorp	25.98	...	-17.1
JohnJn	66.15	-1.84	+10.1
LillyEli	54.87	-1.61	-3.0
Merck	42.88	-1.46	+34.8
Pfizer	25.84	-.78	+10.8
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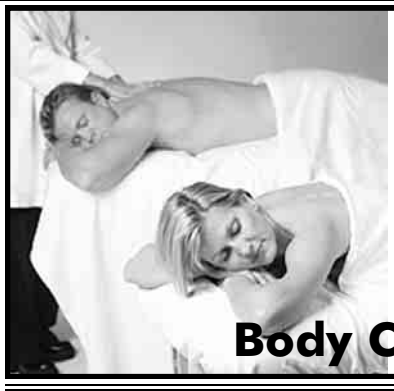

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TAKING A PASS: Gallaudet University is facing charges administrators compromised academic standards. Some faculty say grades were changed for failing students and instructors are not trained well enough to help low-performing students.

Local

Bush Will Study D.C. Vote

President says he was not aware of bill that would give city a seat

WASHINGTON | President Bush plans to review a bill that would give residents full voting representation in the House, though he did not say whether he would support it.

Bush's comments Wednesday were the first time he has talked about the proposed legislation, introduced six months ago by Rep. Thomas M. Davis III, R-Va., and Democratic Del. Eleanor Holmes Norton, the District's nonvoting representative. Norton can vote in committee but not on the House floor.

The bill — which local lawmakers are trying to get approved in upcoming weeks — would also add a congressional seat for Utah.

"It's the first I've heard of it," said Bush, responding to a question at the White House. "I didn't know that's going to come up from the lame duck."

The president's remarks referred to the remaining few days of the current Congress, which returns to session next week and will adjourn before Thanksgiving. "Well, it may or may not come up. ... But I'll take a look at it," he said.

Emily Lawrimore, a White House spokeswoman, said Bush knew of the bill but wants to study it. (AP)

WASHINGTON | CASE DISMISSED

SARAH L. VOISIN/TWP

FIGHT OVER: Shawn A. Hearn, left, Eastern Senior High School principal, leaves a Washington courthouse with his lawyer Thursday after a lawsuit by a student, who said Hearn hit him while breaking up a fight, was tossed.

MS-13 Gang Member Given a Life Sentence

Man followed victim after argument, then shot him in the head

ROCKVILLE, MD. | A member of the Hispanic street gang MS-13 was sentenced to life in prison Thursday for a November 2005 murder in Montgomery County.

Luis Miranda, 20, of Wheaton, was sentenced by Montgomery County Circuit Judge Eric Johnson after pleading guilty in July to first-degree murder and a handgun charge.

According to prosecutors, Miranda shot Edison Moran, 22, in the head after Moran argued with Miranda and other MS-13 members at a restaurant on Nov. 6, 2005.

Moran left the restaurant after the altercation, but Miranda and several other men pursued him in their car. They pulled up alongside Moran at the intersection of Veirs Mill Road and Twinbrook Parkway. Miranda then shot Moran in the head, prosecutors said.

Miranda also pleaded guilty Thursday to a count of reckless endangerment for shooting another man the day before while Miranda was playing with a revolver. (AP)

Random slaying: Shooting victim was not connected with the MS-13 gang. **Today's Post, Metro**

Fenty Continues Executive Hiring

WASHINGTON | Mayor-elect Adrian Fenty is already in the official transition process.

Wednesday, he named his chief of staff and promised swift action in filling other high positions.

Fenty, with incoming City Administrator Dan Tangherlini at his side, introduced Tene Dolphin as his chief of staff. Dolphin will now be the top aide charged with managing the executive office of the mayor. (AP)

Two more: Fenty presents his nominees for attorney general and general counsel. **Today's Post, Metro**

Md. Lt. Gov.-Elect to Lead Transition

BALTIMORE | Gov.-elect Martin O'Malley put the man who will be his lieutenant governor at the helm of his transition team Thursday along with Baltimore's city solicitor to get the process started.

O'Malley, a Democrat, also announced a Web site that will enable people to submit resumes for positions in state government. (AP)

LINDA DAVIDSON/TWP

O'Malley, right, said Thursday that Brown, left, will lead the transition.

The Lotteries

Thursday, November 9

DISTRICT	
Mid-day Lucky Numbers	9-3-3
Evening Lucky Numbers (Wed.)	4-2-1
Mid-day DC 4	2-4-0-5
Evening DC 4 (Wed.)	2-8-7-2
Rolling Cash Five (Wed.)	1-2-14-29-35
Daily 6 (Wed.)	4-10-11-19-21-36 (39)
Hot Lotto (Wed.)	10-14-17-20-33 (18)

MARYLAND	
Mid-day Pick 3	1-9-8
Evening Pick 3 (Wed.)	4-9-8
Mid-day Pick 4	7-1-4-8
Evening Pick 4 (Wed.)	6-6-3-5
Match 5 (Wed.)	2-4-15-19-33 (17)
Multi-Match (Wed.)	6-10-12-20-33-39

VIRGINIA	
Mid-day Pick 3	8-8-2
Evening Pick 3 (Wed.)	8-6-4
Mid-day Pick 4	8-8-6-5
Evening Pick 4 (Wed.)	5-0-0-5
Mid-day Cash 5	6-17-20-26-30
Evening Cash 5 (Wed.)	8-9-12-18-31
Win For Life (Wed.)	6-8-9-11-16-22 (38)

MULTI-STATE GAMES	
Powerball (Wed.)	8-11-12-26-53 (4)
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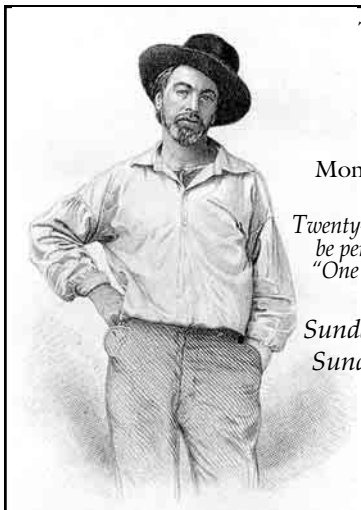

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FULLY BOOKED: Aspiring authors like Chuck Hughes and Sara Halperin have one month to finish a 175-page book for National Novel Writing month this November.

Write Now

Finish a novel in 30 days? No sweat for these local dreamers

Until they pricked her with the anesthesia, Rise Peters planned to be writing.

The Bowie resident — facing inflammatory breast cancer — entered surgery Wednesday to have a metastasis removed from her liver. She is also approaching the halfway point of her novel, a mystery titled "Raised by Wolves." She must finish it by Nov. 30, averaging at least 1,667 words a day, cancer or no cancer.

"If you can't come up with a better excuse than me, forget it," Peters told attendees at the Oct. 29 kick-off party for the D.C. contingent of National Novel Writing Month. "We're all going to win this year."

Winning means simply writing 50,000 words (or 175 pages) in 30 days. Today they should be hitting 20,000. If they were running a marathon, they'd be nearly halfway through mile 10.

"They," of course, are the WriMos, those reckless and ambitious souls who signed up for the event, nicknamed NaNoWriMo, which started in 1999 with 21 participants and last year boasted 59,000. When all is said and done this year, an estimated 93,000 will have registered, a little over half of whom are from the United States.

Now, some fuzzy math: If the growth rate is constant and participation is cumulative, then every American will be writing a novel in November 2027. We'll be a country made entirely of boozing, tortured authors.

The output needn't be as textured as Faulkner or impeccable as Nabokov. It can be drivel. Swill. Dreck. Dross.

Chris Baty, program director for NaNo, has one piece of advice for the 2,500 or so WriMos in Washington, Maryland and Virginia: "Get out of the 20,000s as fast as you can. If you can do it in three days, great. The 20s are like a swamp of the soul. Charge through them. The 30s start to feel wonderful."

But who has time for this? There are 40-hour workweeks, romantic relationships, episodes of "Deal or No Deal," transient and chronic illnesses and life's little duties and distractions.

Dan Fowlkes of Stafford, Va., has three children younger than 5, and his wife is pregnant with a fourth. So this year he's writing during his commute using voice-recognition software.

Even though making outlines and taking great pains are helpful techniques, WriMos agree that an amateur novelist's best bet is to write fast and free, whether or not it's during November.

"Some sentences are really good, some are stinkers," says Peters, who is NaNo's municipal liaison for D.C. and does her fair share of 9-to-5 writing as a lawyer. "But none of them have that overworked, labored characteristic you get when you're second guessing yourself."

You also need discipline. You need it in November, and you need it to create any work of art, novel or otherwise.

George Pelecanos, the prolific crime author and Silver Spring resident, never wrote a lick of fiction before he was 31, then wrote his first eight books while holding down full-time day jobs.

For him, the secret to balancing was sacrifice. No free time wasted. No weekends off.

"In those days I would get up early and work late at night," Pelecanos says. "You miss out on some things — things I couldn't do with my kids, things I had to miss socially. I was very committed to making it work."

It paid off. He does it for a living now.

Some people wake up on Dec. 1 and begin the revision process on their jumbled, sprawling NaNo novel. Eventually, they might polish it into something respectable, perhaps brilliant, perhaps ... worthy of publication.

Pelecanos, who mailed manuscripts blindly when he started out, recommends buying a copy of Writers Market, which lists publishing houses, what kinds of books they accept, advice from agents and editors and guidelines for submission and format.

Peters woke up in the ICU Wednesday, feeling great and with NaNo on her mind. She flagged down a nurse, asked for a pencil and wrote three pages of notes on the back of her insurance preapproval form. "I needed to get it all down," she says on the phone from the hospital room. "I think I know what happens next. There's now a stalker in my book, and I think my main character's about to get hit on the head and wind up in the hospital. I've certainly got first-hand material to work with."

The "Thank God It's Over" party is the first week of December at a yet-to-be-announced location in the city. Veteran and newly minted novelists will arrive — bloodied by a 30-day siege on themselves — and pin excerpts of their books on a clothesline like fresh linens from excavated souls. (Only in November can we get away with a sentence like that.) DAN ZAK (THE WASHINGTON POST)

Write to the Point

→ A by-the-numbers look at writing a novel in the United States; plus some footnotes to get the wannabe novelist ahead on his or her dream to write the great American novel — or some fascimile of it — this Sunday in the Washington Post | **SUNDAY SOURCE**

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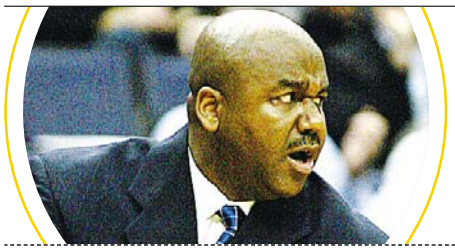

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Redskins take to the air at halfway mark

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No, it's not the deeply spiritual Brunell's religious beliefs or head coach Joe Gibbs' confidence in a quarterback who keeps pulling rabbits out of his hat long after his prime. It's Brunell's belief his most trusted receivers won't fail him.

Brunell's trust came in the form of a fourth-quarter floater last Sunday to Chris Cooley that arrived a yard short. Cooley made a juggling catch between two Dallas defenders and Washington (3-5) broke a three-game losing streak.

1 P.M. | FOX, Sunday

When the game is on the line, Brunell has turned into a modern-day version of "The Gambler," only without the chicken restaurants or that awesome beard.

He connected with Santana Moss through double coverage to beat Jacksonville in overtime of Week 4. He threw a pick into what looked like quintuple coverage in the closing minutes of the Tennessee loss two weeks later.

Now, the man who said last week that he didn't "want to think about life without Santana" could face his second-straight game without Moss (left hamstring strain). Cooley is also banged up, listed as probable with a shoulder injury.

"A lot of guys stepped up in Santana's absence," Brunell said. "We're a better team when all guys are getting involved."

Especially when they're passing so much. Over the last three games, the Redskins have thrown 90 times while attempting just 82 runs — odd numbers for a Gibbs team.

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3 BURNING QUESTIONS

➜ **Buck the trend?** There are lots of bad numbers for the Redskins entering this contest. Philly has won the game after its bye the last seven years. Eagles' chief Andy Reid is 20-6 in November — tops among active head coaches. Philadelphia has won seven of the last nine against Washington.

➜ **No second chances:** Troy Vincent had a simple message to his new Redskin teammates about what they must do defensively: "To beat Philly in Philly, we've got to get off the field on third down."

➜ **More grit?** According to rookie Rocky McIntosh, the formula for winning is all about effort. "We've got to bring the same energy we had last week," he said, crediting Washington's ability to get physical against Dallas as the key to victory.

"Our identity is always going to be the run," Moss said. "We may be pass-first now, but that's going to come."

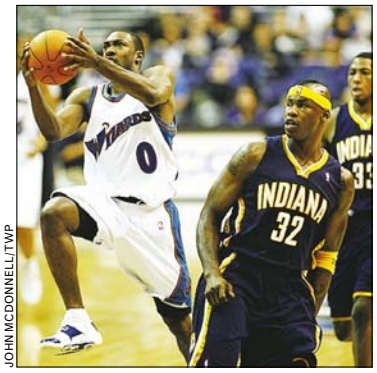
The Redskins take on another pass-first offense Sunday when they travel to Philadelphia (4-4). The Eagles, are looking to turn things around after losing three straight before their bye last weekend. All three Eagles losses during the streak have been by a touchdown or less.

As usual, the key will be stopping quarterback Donovan McNabb, who is having a Pro Bowl-caliber season with 16 touchdowns and an NFL-best 2,312 passing yards.

"Donovan is throwing the ball just as well as he has ever thrown it," Redskins safety and former Eagle Troy Vincent said. "It is a very similar offense [to Dallas] outside [McNabb] who can keep things alive in the pocket."

If the Redskins' beleaguered defense can hold up, the team could draw even with the Eagles and momentarily return to the fringe of the wild card race. ERIC BRANDNER

TV Lineup



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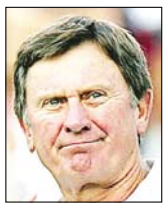
Gilbert Arenas, left, has scored at least 40 points in both the team's home games.

➜ **ALAKAZAM:** The Wizards seem to have visiting teams under their spell when they play at home — both of their wins this season have come at the Verizon Center. This weekend they host the Bucks (Friday at 7 p.m. on CSN) and the Nets (Sunday at 6 p.m. on News Channel 8).



Spurrier

➜ **DOWN SOUTH MATCHUPS:** On Saturday in college football, the southern states get the attention. First, Steve Spurrier returns to the program he built from the ground up as South Carolina visits No. 6 Florida (3:30 p.m. on CBS). Then No. 18 Wake Forest battles the unranked Florida State Seminoles in Tallahassee (8 p.m. on CBS).

➜ **WELCOME BACK MR. JAGR:** On Saturday, (at 7 p.m. on CSN) the N.Y. Rangers and former Capital Jaromir Jagr visit town to battle the up-and-coming Caps.

➜ **BACK TO THEIR ROOTS:** Ravens QB Steve McNair returns to Tennessee to battle the Titans (1 p.m. on CBS), and the Steelers, still wishing they could turn back the clocks to last season, host the Saints, who amazingly are still winning this year (4 p.m. on FOX). And in the game of the week, the one-loss-but-recently-struggling Bears travel to New York to play the Giants, a team that's always tough to beat at home (8 p.m. on NBC).

CRICKET | **No Idiots Allowed** The chief executive of Cricket Australia said this week that "idiots" would not be tolerated in the upcoming Ashe series, cricinfo, a cricket Web site, reported. James Sutherland said Cricket Australia wanted to create a family atmosphere despite the fact that "no doubt there will be some idiots over the summer who do the wrong thing." South African players complained about being racially abused by crowds in Australia when they played there earlier this year, and the Ashe series is expected to be particularly intense. (EXPRESS)

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Playing With Inspiration

'Canes will come to Maryland with heavy hearts in crucial game

TERPS FOOTBALL | The news spread to the Maryland football team the same way it did to millions of other Americans.

Through the Internet, television or simply word of mouth, the news that Miami senior Bryan Pata had been fatally shot outside his apartment complex Tuesday found its way to the Terrapin community. Players and coaches said their hearts went out to the Hurricanes. And they thought about life and they thought about death. And then they thought about the fact that they had to play Miami on Saturday.

3:30 P.M. | ABC
Saturday

How do you strap it up and brutally bang heads against a group of your peers still grieving the sudden loss of one of their own?

"This can be a difficult thing to go through and deal with. My prayers go out to the family," Maryland coach Ralph Friedgen said. "We're just going to have to take care of our business. We can't do anything other than that."

A 6-foot-4, 280-pound defensive lineman, Pata was a popular player in the Miami locker room and by most accounts was on his way to a career in the NFL. The Hurricanes could have opted not to play this week, to postpone the game and mourn in South Florida. Instead, they're coming to College Park to play a critical Atlantic Coast Conference game. Miami coach Larry Coker said everyone believed it's what Pata would have wanted.

RICK HAVNER/AP

GROUNDED: Maryland running back Lance Ball has his work cut out for him this weekend against Miami, which has the third-best run defense in the nation.

The Terrapins players watched as word of that decision came across the television after practice Wednesday. The prevailing feeling was that the Hurricanes would arrive with a heavy sense of purpose.

"Stuff like that can either go one of two ways for a team," junior guard Donnie Woods said. "It can motivate them —and that's how I think they're going to take it."

Not that the Hurricanes (5-4, 2-3 in the ACC) needed much motivation. They're off to their worst start in recent years, and their season has been tainted by a brawl with Florida International that resulted in the suspensions of more than a dozen players. A victory against the Terrapins (7-2, 4-1) would make them bowl eligible and go a long way toward salvaging a difficult season and an even more difficult week.

"It's a sad story, but that just gives them more inspiration," junior running back Lance Ball said. "They'll be there and more fired up because they'll want to play for him." DEREK TURNER

3 BURNING QUESTIONS:

➜ **Ground it out?** Miami's run defense is third in the nation, allowing 2.2 yards per carry. "We know we have a challenge this week, and the main thing is to execute," running back Lance Ball said.

➜ **Too close to call?** The Terrapins have won their last four games by an average of just three points.

➜ **Little brother getting big?** Linebacker Erin Henderson, younger sibling of former Terp All-American E.J. Henderson, had at least 10 tackles in each of the last four games, including a career-high 18 last week.

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Goalkeeper Matt Reis, left, hugs Khano Smith after winning the conference final.

Revolution Ready To Try Again for First MLS Title

MLS CUP | Joe Franchino and the New England Revolution are headed for their third MLS Cup in five seasons. The midfielder thinks they're prepared to win their first league title.

They'll get their chance Sunday against the Houston Dynamo in Frisco, Texas. In both of their meetings this season, New England and Houston tied 1-1.

After squeaking by the Chicago Fire in the semifinals, the Revolution beat D.C. United 1-0 on Sunday on Taylor Twellman's goal to advance to the MLS title game for the second consecutive season.

The Revolution heads into the game leading all playoff teams with 19 shots on goal, and has been playing stellar defense.

"We're playing well now so the confidence is high," Franchino said. "We've had a few opportunities, but they're not going to come every day. We know that." HOWARD ULMAN (AP)

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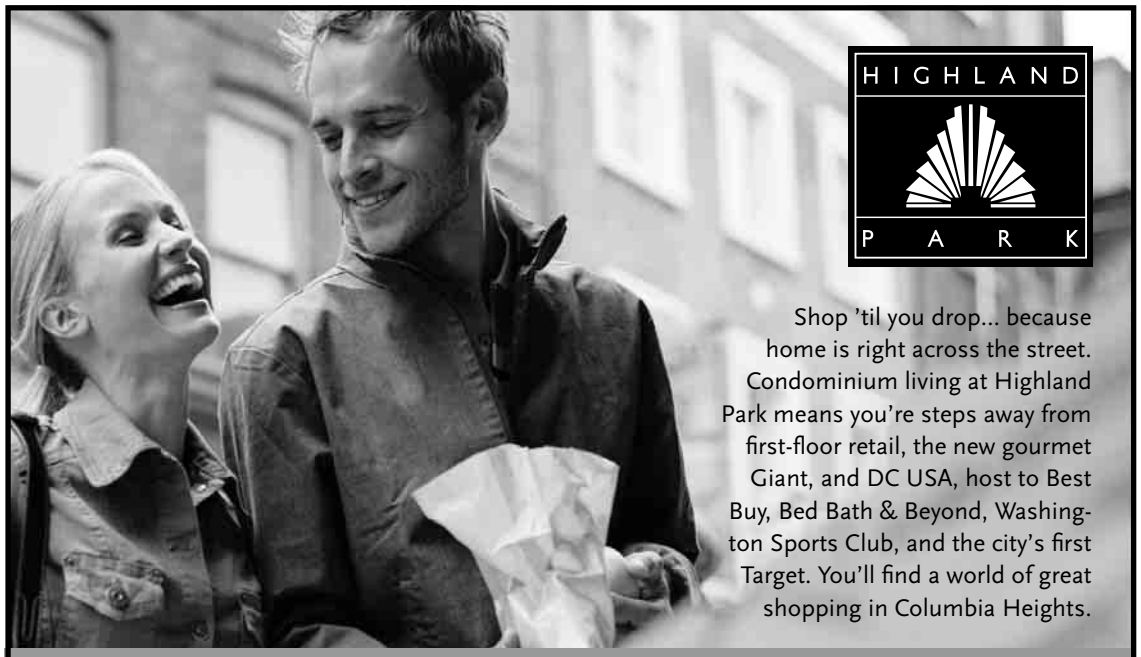

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QB Steve "Air" McNair has led the Baltimore Ravens to a 6-2 record and first place in the tough AFC North. He returns to Tennessee this weekend to play the Titans.

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The quarterback, who Titans fans still believe was done wrong by his team in a painful and ugly separation, is coming back to the town. He returns happy, a winner with his new team — the Baltimore Ravens — and in perfect position to take some revenge.

"A lot of people say, 'Well, maybe you've lost a step. Maybe you don't have it all anymore,'" McNair said Wednesday in a conference call.

"When a team is willing to bring you in and put you in as a starter, that lets you know they see something left in you. All I've got to do right now is manage the game and put this team in position to win games week in, week out.

Instead of being stuck with the young and struggling Titans (2-6), McNair is with the 6-2 Ravens atop the AFC North.

It's not that McNair wasn't wanted after 11 seasons with the Titans' organization. But the Titans wouldn't pay the winningest quarterback in their history $9 million for 2006, with a $23.46 million salary cap hit. Not after drafting his successor, Vince Young.

McNair said he knew that salary cap number made it impossible for him to stay with the Titans.

McNair left the team amid scandal and this weekend the question is how will he be greeted Sunday? McNair isn't sure whether he will hear boos, cheers or a mixture of both.

Titans linebacker Keith Bulluck predicts cheering.

"Definitely, everybody's looking forward to Steve coming back," he said. McNair is looking forward to going back, too. TERESA M. WALKER (AP)

A LOOK AT STEVE'S STATS

In his first year with the Ravens, McNair's career statistics have dropped, but his team is 6-2.

➜ For his career, he has averaged 193 yards per game, but this season that average is down to 163 yards per game.

➜ He has tossed 163 touchdowns in 147 career games, but just seven of those came this year.

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NOT IN MY PAINT: Wizards starting center Etan Thomas has adjusted well to his new role, as here he swats away another shot from the Pacers' Stephen Jackson.

The Front and Center Starter

Thomas won the job, and now he's playing as if he wants to keep it

WIZARDS | Etan Thomas is loving it.

He's 28, starting for the Washington Wizards and, just four games in, is having the best season of his career.

"I'm excited," Thomas said after Saturday's win over the Celtics. "It's a blessing. I worked hard this summer, and it feels good."

This offseason, Thomas was caught up in one of the Wizards' most contested battles — a fight for the starting center spot with Brendan Haywood. It hasn't always been pretty (the two fought last season during a practice, and, just this week, The Washington Post reported that they were involved in another altercation at the Verizon Center after Thomas won the job), but it might have been just the thing the Wizards needed to find a dominant big man.

Haywood has been the primary starter during his five seasons with the Wizards, but coach Eddie Jordan made the change because he likes Thomas' aggressiveness, especially on defense.

"He's a force," Jordan said. "He's active down there. He shows a lot of passion, and he tries his best to defend the rim.

Thomas clearly likes himself in the starting position, as well. In four games, the 6-foot-10, 240-pound center is averaging 7.5 rebounds and 2.5 blocks in a career-high 25.5 minutes per game. In a loss at Orlando on Monday, Thomas grabbed 15 rebounds and dominated the paint with six blocks.

And on top of all that, he's actually scoring (10.8 points per game), something the Jordan-coached Wizards have never had from a center. "We have guys that can score," Thomas said. I'm just going out there, trying to play hard, grab rebounds, and block shots."

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ABOVE THE RIM: New transfer Patrick Ewing Jr. hopes to team up with coach John Thompson III and others to bring Georgetown another NCAA championship.

Pride Is Back At Georgetown

Just like old times, familiar Hoyas are the nation's No. 8 squad

HOYAS HOOPS | An elite Georgetown squad will once again be leaning on Thompson and Ewing.

No, it's not 1984. It's 2006.

And that's coach John Thompson III and Patrick Ewing Jr.

Standing in the John Thompson Lobby at McDonough Arena, decorated with trophy cases and a montage featuring his father and banners commemorating the 1984 NCAA championship, Patrick Ewing Jr. can't help but smile, and when he does, the resemblance to his father is striking.

"Ever since I was little, my dad told me, 'If coach Thompson is still the coach, you're going to go to Georgetown,'" the younger Ewing recounted. "And it's funny that a coach Thompson is the coach — it's just a different coach Thompson — and now I'm here."

And now, once again, Georgetown is here, a prominent team on the national scene, thanks to a quick-as-a-blink turnaround by Thompson.

Georgetown is No. 8 in the Associated Press poll, its first preseason ranking since 2000 and its highest since 1995, and the players embrace the role as program-restorers.

"We take a lot of pride in what we're trying to do, and that's bring back the Georgetown tradition. A couple of years, it was kind of downhill, and they didn't get the respect that they deserved," said forward Jeff Green, part of a strong junior class that also includes 7-foot-2 center Roy Hibbert.

The Hoyas made strides a year ago by upsetting then-No. 1 Duke during the regular season and reaching the NCAA tournament's round 16 before losing to national champion Florida. Georgetown finished 23-10 and ranked 23rd.

So expectations are only growing as the school begins its 100th year of men's basketball Saturday against Hartford. Still, count on the current Thompson to try to temper the excitement a tad.

"We do have a lot of holes," he said. "There's a lot of questions that do need to be answered. But if everything falls in place, can we possibly be one of those [top] teams? Yeah, I think so."

HOWARD FENDRICH (AP)

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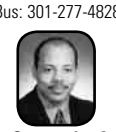

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Typical Day in SEC

Toughest conference is featured once again, with 4 potential upsets

COLLEGE PICKS | The Southeastern Conference's top teams face potentially tricky league rivals Saturday.

Florida already has locked up the SEC East, but former Gators coach Steve Spurrier brings his South Carolina team to Gainesville for the first time with a chance to derail UF's national title hopes.

Georgia limps into Auburn in the midst of a disappointing season, trying to keep the Tigers from winning the West. Coming off a surprising home loss to Mississippi State, Alabama travels to LSU. And the biggest SEC game is in Arkansas, where the SEC West leaders face Tennessee.

Just another week in the nation's most intriguing conference. The picks:

APRILL BROWN/AP

Arkansas freshman QB Mitch Mustain faces Tennessee in Saturday's big game.

➜ **GEORGIA** (PLUS 13) at **NO. 5 AUBURN.** In 109 meetings, Auburn has outscored Georgia 1,650-1,648 ... **AUBURN 23-13.**

➜ **SOUTH CAROLINA** (PLUS 13) at **NO. 6 FLORIDA.** Gamecocks snapped 13-game losing streak to Gators last year ... **FLORIDA 31-13.**

➜ **NO. 21 OREGON** (PLUS 7 1/2) at **NO. 7 SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA.** Ducks' first visit to the Los Angeles Coliseum since 2000 ... **USC 28-23.**

➜ **NO. 13 TENNESSEE** (PLUS 5 1/2) at **NO. 11 ARKANSAS.** Vols are 12-2 against Razorbacks ... **TENNESSEE 27-21.**

➜ **ALABAMA** (PLUS 17) at **NO. 12 LSU.** Tigers have won three straight and five of six in series ... **LSU 30-14.**

➜ **MIAMI** (PLUS 2 1/2) at **NO. 23 MARYLAND.** Terps have won four straight by total of 12 points ... **MARYLAND 17-13.**

RALPH D. RUSSO (AP)

Sunday PICK'EM

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REDSKINS (PLUS 7) AT EAGLES	**REDSKINS** These games are always close — no matter who wins.	**REDSKINS** Washington's season isn't turned around yet, but they'll be a lot closer than 7.	**REDSKINS** Thanks to ex-Philly Vincent and Nick "The Kick" Novak.	**EAGLES** The Eagles are 7-0 off a bye under head coach Andy Reid.
CHARGERS (MINUS 1) AT BENGALS	**CHARGERS** Martyball is all that stands between San Diego and a Super Bowl.	**BENGALS** Even the Redskins' offense is better statistically than the Bengals' right now.	**BENGALS** In week diez, numero ocho-cinco will prevail.	**CHARGERS** The Chargers have problems with their defense. But fewer than the Bengals.
SAINTS (PLUS 4) AT STEELERS	**SAINTS** Steelers are reeling from Lynn Swann's defeat and a plethora of mistakes.	**STEELERS** If they're going to even try to turn things around, this is the last chance.	**SAINTS** Because Pittsburgh keeps missing the Bus.	**STEELERS** If Pittsburgh wins its eight remaining games, it might get a chance to defend its title.
BEARS (PLUS 2.5) AT GIANTS	**GIANTS** Relax, N.Y., it's not A. Toomer. Tiki and Peyton's brother carry NFC's best team.	**GIANTS** I make it a rule not to pick against the Giants at home ... even against the Bears.	**BEARS** They don't have the ghost of the '72 Dolphins against them.	**GIANTS** With three rookies playing D, the Giants still have stopped some stellar offenses.
CHIEFS (MINUS 1) AT DOLPHINS	**CHIEFS** Larry Johnson can beat the Dolphins by himself — and probably will.	**CHIEFS** Huard is the second-best QB in the league. (And Harrington isn't the best.)	**CHIEFS** Because of their quarterback Damon Hu-ard-thou.	**DOLPHINS** Huard started his career with the Dolphins and will be in a giving mood.
RAMS (PLUS 3) AT SEAHAWKS	**SEAHAWKS** Rams defense has allowed at least 30 points in three straight games.	**RAMS** St. Louis's new smashmouth football style has character.	**SEAHAWKS** The wet real grass will slow the greatest show on turf.	**SEAHAWKS** Even with Seattle's injuries, they make it four straight.

SEASON TALLY | Matt Swenson: 27-17-3; Ian Herbert: 22-27-3; Celebrities: 30-30-3; Dave Goldberg: 10-23-2; Linda Cropp: 4-1 (leader)

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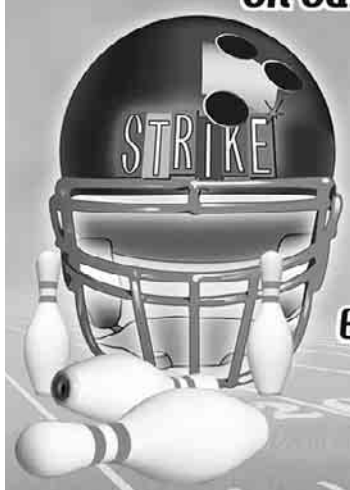

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United Midfielder Is League MVP

Gomez's 14 goals and 11 assists were tops on MLS' best squad

UNITED | D.C. United midfielder Christian Gomez was selected Major League Soccer's Most Valuable Player after leading MLS' best regular-season team with 14 goals and 11 assists.

He carried his struggling team through the end of the year. In United's last five games, the team scored only five goals — all five by league's MVP.

"He is not the kind of guy who takes the ball, beats one or two players and whacks one in from 25 yards," Red Bulls and former U.S. national team coach Bruce Arena said in late October. "He is a guy who will beat you with his brains and skill and quickness."

Houston midfielder Dwayne De Rosario and Salt Lake forward Jeff Cunningham, who scored a league-leading 16 goals, were the other finalists. (AP)

TONY GUTIERREZ/AP

Gomez posted 14 goals and 11 assists, both team highs on D.C. United.

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REDSKINS | BY MATT SWENSON

It's So Simple: Run the Ball

EVEN AFTER THE REDSKINS' improbable victory over Dallas, it feels as if last year's five-game winning streak is the anomaly of the second Joe Gibbs era.

For much of Gibbs' resurrection, Washington has been inconsistent and produced an offense that's borderline offensive.

Only when the team turned to Gibbs' old staple of running the ball at the end of last season did the Redskins start winning consistently and providing hope that a championship wasn't too far away.

All that seems like a distant memory, and a lot of it can be traced to one thing.

Whoever's calling the plays — and don't necessarily assume Gibbs has given free reign to Al Saunders — has abandoned the run game.

In Washington's five-game run to end the 2005 regular season, Clinton Portis rushed the ball 26 or 27 times in four of the five games. In the other game, he carried it 23 times. Each time, Portis gained more than 100 yards and the Redskins won.

This season, the Redskins have carried the ball 26 or more times in only four games. Portis' top two games are 27 carries for 112 yards against Jacksonville and 23 rushes for 84 yards last week versus Dallas. OK, he had 86 yards on 16 rushes in Week 3, but that was against lowly Houston.

This season, the Redskins have carried the ball 26 or more times in only four games.

Those games represent Washington's three wins.

The magic formula seems so easy. Only a teams as dysfunctional as the Redskins appear to be can't figure it out.

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Many people think arthritis is little more than a few minor aches and pains that can easily be treated with a couple of aspirin. But there's much more to this disease.

ARTHRITIS 101

What is Arthritis?

Arthritis and rheumatic disease are really a family of illnesses that can cause inflammation (redness, swelling and pain), degeneration of joints such as the knee, the wrist or the hip, and surrounding structure and pain. These conditions may make everyday activities, like getting dressed, opening a jar, or climbing stairs, difficult. Arthritis can result from chronic inflammation, an infection, trauma, degeneration of the joint, metabolic changes, or other causes.

In fact, there are more than 100 different rheumatic conditions including but not limited to osteoporosis, rheumatoid arthritis, gout, fibromyalgia, osteoarthritis, systemic lupus erythematosus, and scleroderma that commonly affect joints and the tissues around joints. Muscles, tendons, even the skin and internal organs, can be affected by this disease. Three of the more common forms of arthritis are osteoarthritis, rheumatoid arthritis and juvenile arthritis.

Here are some facts regarding these forms:

Osteoarthritis:

- Usually begins after age 40
- Affects 21 million Americans
- Develops slowly over many years
- Affects a few joints and may occur on both sides of the body
- Joint redness, warmth and swelling are usually minimal
- Morning stiffness is common but brief
- Typically affects only certain joints, hands, hips, knees and spine
- Being overweight, age, injury and/or stress to the joints, and family history can predispose you to osteoarthritis

Osteoarthritis

Rheumatoid Arthritis:

- Classified as an autoimmune disease, which develops because certain cells of the immune system malfunction and attack healthy joints
- Usually begins between ages 25 and 50
- Affects 2.1 million Americans, 75% of them women
- May develop suddenly within weeks or months
- Causes redness, swelling and prolonged morning stiffness of the joints, lasting for hours
- Can be associated with significant complications, such as heart disease

Rheumatoid Arthritis

Juvenile Arthritis

There are several different types of juvenile arthritis, with juvenile rheumatoid arthritis being the most common. Many forms of juvenile arthritis have an impact on skin, muscles, tendons, joints and bones commonly resulting in minor to severe growth abnormalities. For all children with arthritis **(about 300,000 nationwide and more than 3,000 in the D.C. region),** early diagnosis and aggressive treatment are critical to slowing down or preventing joint damage and disability. Your child may be referred to a pediatric rheumatologist as part of his/her care.

Children with juvenile arthritis should attend school, participate in extra-curricular and family activities, and otherwise live life as normally as possible.

"Arthritis is a disease that all too frequently does not get taken seriously," said Dr. John Klippel, president and CEO of the Arthritis Foundation. "The common denominator for all forms of arthritis is that it tends to be chronic, debilitating, and serious, affecting an individual's long-term quality of life and well-being."

Warning Signs of Arthritis

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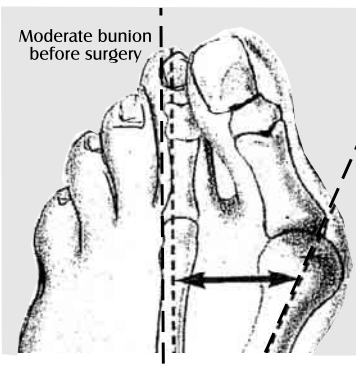

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ARTHRITIS PREVENTION

Can You Prevent Arthritis?
Certain risks for arthritis, like age and genetic factors, can't be mitigated, but there are ways to reduce your risk for developing it. Maintaining a healthy body weight through proper diet and exercise is one of the best ways to reduce the likelihood of developing arthritis, especially of the knees and possibly hips. Studies show that losing just 11 pounds will lower your risk for developing arthritis in the knee by as much as 50 percent. Exercise also provides the added benefit of keeping your muscles strong. Strong muscles help you avoid injury by better, and protect the joints they surround.

Treating Arthritis
Your doctor should be able to tell you if you have arthritis or a related condition, if you should see a rheumatologist (a specialist who focuses on arthritis and related diseases), what to expect, and what you can do about to help yourself. There are many medications, and your doctor can help you decide on what is best for you. However, there is also a lot you can do on your own to help manage your rheumatic condition, including exercise, maintaining a healthy diet, rest and relaxation, joint protection, and self-help skills.

Low-impact exercise helps lessen pain, increases range of movement, reduces fatigue, prevents weight gain, and increases your general feeling of well-being. The three main types are:

1. Range-of-motion exercises, which reduce stiffness.
2. Strengthening exercises, which increase or maintain muscle strength.
3. Endurance exercises, which increase fitness.

Exercise at the time of day when you have less stiffness and pain. Start slowly, and build on the amount of time and number of repetitions as you improve. You may want to consider finding an Arthritis Foundation exercise or aquatics program near you.

Joint protection means using joints in the best you can to avoid excess stress. For example, by positioning yourself to use larger joints to carry burdens. Always make sure to lift with your legs instead of your back. You may want to use an assistive device to reduce stress on your hips and knees, as well as special aids that make doing everyday tasks easier. For example, extra-thick pens and larger handles are easier on your hands.

Diet: There is no magic pill or diet that will cure arthritis, but maintaining a healthy diet can ease arthritis pain by contributing to weight control. Diet is also directly related to gout and osteoporosis (which are also conditions related to arthritis).

Self-help skills: Ultimately, you are the best manager of your arthritis. Being a good health manager means knowing what to expect and planning your activities for your best times and days. The Arthritis Foundation offers self-help courses that empower individuals with arthritis to take control of their health and improve their quality of life. Join a support group or use the Web to join an online support community.

THE FUTURE OF ARTHRITIS

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Public Health

What can we do to help control or prevent the onset of arthritis as we work toward a cure? The Arthritis Foundation offers a variety of exercise classes, support groups, rheumatologist lists and informational services on many of the things discussed in this article for people living with the many forms of arthritis. To find out more about what is going on in your area go to www.arthritis.org or call the Metropolitan Washington Chapter of the Arthritis Foundation at 202-537-6800.

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Entertainment Weekend

Author, Meet Subject

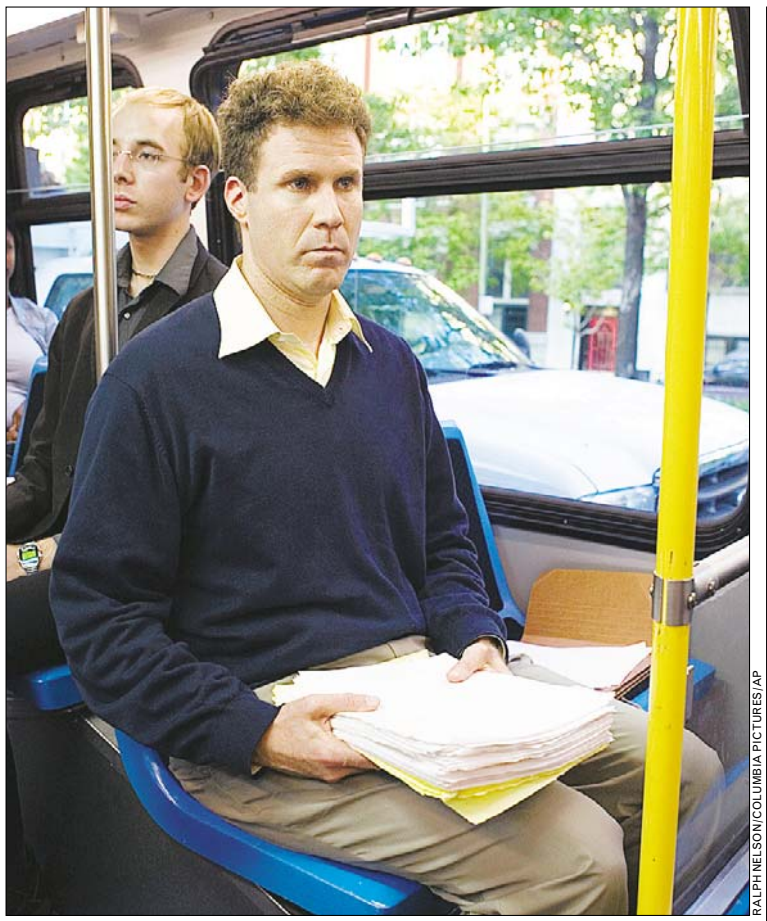
Dramatic Will Ferrell is truly marvelous in 'Stranger Than Fiction'

FILM | IRS agent Harold Crick (Will Ferrell) wakes up one morning and realizes that his monotonous, meticulous life is being narrated in "Stranger Than Fiction."

The voice in his head is articulate, colorful British — Emma Thompson as a morose novelist struggling to finish her latest book.

At first he thinks he's going crazy because no one else can hear it — but then when the woman alludes to his imminent death, he understandably grows a tad more concerned. What he doesn't even realize yet is that he's the main character in a book being written by an author who's famous for killing off her main characters. And what she doesn't realize is that Harold Crick is a living, breathing human being.

"Stranger Than Fiction" probably sounds like something you've seen before: "The Truman Show," perhaps, or "Adaptation." What sets this film apart, though, is the funny, subtle way in which director Marc Forster and first-time writer Zach Helm present a potentially preachy message — live each day to its fullest — as well as the universally outstanding performances from an eclectic cast.



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STRANGER ON A BUS: Will Ferrell, as sad sack Harold Crick, balances comedy and drama with surprising grace and charm in the clever "Stranger Than Fiction."

Ferrell is a marvel in a completely unexpected, understated role as the bland Harold Crick. Ferrell has his light moments here, as well, especially as he flirts awkwardly with Ana Pascal (Maggie Gyllenhaal).

Thompson, as Kay Eiffel, is a literary giant who hasn't produced anything in the past decade. Thompson could have turned the character into a caricature of the misunderstood, self-loathing writer. But she does something wholly unusual: She turns this miserable creature into someone so intelligent, so interesting, so real, you'd actually want to hang out with her.

And, yes, the structure is clever. Very, very clever. It'll make your brain hurt if you think too hard about it. Instead, just go with it, as Harold does when he thinks he could die at any moment. CHRISTY LEMIRE (AP)

A Fierce Contact High

'Cocaine Cowboys' rides shotgun with Miami's white vice

FILM | "Cocaine Cowboys," the slick and bloody documentary detailing the effect the cocaine trade of the 1970s and '80s had on the city of Miami, is more a "Scarface" wannabe than anything else. A glitzy story of drugs, greed and death, it's not an elevating film, and it's not meant to be.

Before the cowboys came to town, Miami was a quiet place that featured, someone says, "a lot of old people sitting around in beach chairs waiting to die."

ALAN DIAZ (AP)

COKE HEADS: Filmmakers Alfred Spellman, left, and Billy Corben.

Then Colombia's Medellin cartel discovered the place, more and more Americans got the drug habit, and lots of numbers in Miami skyrocketed. Those included the millions of dollars placed in local banks and the murder count, which went from 104 in 1976 to 621 in 1981.

"Cocaine Cowboys" tells this story with an all-sleaze, all-the-time attitude. Large numbers of bloody bodies are displayed on screen, courtesy of the numerous crime-scene photographs Corbin favors. He also never tires of putting huge stacks of money on display, lest we forget that drug dealing is a highly remunerative activity.

"Cocaine Cowboy's" story is told largely by a trio of men who were there. Jon Roberts claims to have overseen the shipping of more than $2 billion worth of cocaine from Colombia, pilot Mickey Munday says he personally flew in some 10 tons, and the still-imprisoned Jorge "Rivi" Ayala is credited with 29 murders and suspected in several others.

These gentlemen are all capable storytellers, albeit invariably self-serving ones. While the filmmakers clearly got a contact high from hearing all these war stories, most civilians will find a little of this goes a long way. KENNETH TURAN (LOS ANGELES TIMES)

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OUT FOR THE HOLIDAY: Restaurants open their doors for Thanksgiving.

Any suggestions for restaurants (of the non-Chinese take-out/delivery variety) that will be open on Thanksgiving?

The best deal I've seen so far for a great dinner is the Oval Room. The three-course menu costs $40 and has a mix of the typical menu offerings (like an amazing beet salad appetizer and a slow-cooked salmon) and traditional Thanksgiving turkey with stuffing. Considering the normal prices and quality of the food, it's a swell deal. Elsewhere, you'll find lots of high prices at the places that are serving, but Chef Geoff's does standard Thanksgiving dishes that won't cost too much.

➜ *The Oval Room, 800 Connecticut Ave. NW; 202-463-8700. (Farragut West)*

What's a good place for a large-ish group to go for drinks and some food after a movie at AFI?

I would opt for Ceviche, which is behind the theater. Definitely has a nice vibe. Or you could cross Colesville Road and go to Cubano's, which pours tasty mojitos. It's a slightly longer walk, but still perfectly doable from AFI.

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A 'Year' in Provence

OK romantic comedy shows softer side of happy Russell Crowe

FILM | You have to at least give Russell Crowe and director Ridley Scott credit for trying something different.

With "A Good Year," Russell Crowe and director Ridley Scott have come up with a film that could not possibly be more the opposite of their epic, Oscar-winning "Gladiator." They've drained out all the carnage, fury and blood and replaced them with sunshine, laughter and bottles upon bottles of red wine.

It's an ambitious experiment, and not a completely successful one. "A Good Year" often feels desperately strained in its whimsy, and as it morphs from travelogue to slapsticky French farce to shameless chick flick, it grows nauseating in its sickly sweet romantic dialogue. (In two languages, no less. Bien sur!)

For a while, though, it is sort of a curiosity and a refreshing change to see the typically meaty, serious Crowe try on light, physical comedy.

The film, based on the novel by Scott's longtime friend Peter Mayle, finds Crowe's Max Skinner traveling to Provence following the death of his beloved uncle (a rascally Albert Finney), who raised him there on his sprawling vineyard.

Max, a soulless London banker, got too busy making money and screwing people over to keep in touch with the old man, so he's surprised to learn that he's inherited the property. He travels down there and finds the place has decayed from his idyllic, childhood memories. But Max has no intention of staying at the chateau and wants to sell it as quickly as possible.

RICO TORRES

RED, RED WINE: Abbie Cornish and Russell Crowe in Ridley Scott's "A Good Year."

Just as he's trying to unload the estate, a young woman shows up claiming to be Uncle Henry's long-lost daughter. Twenty-year-old Christie (Abbie Cornish) grew up in California's Napa Valley, so she knows a little something about wine. At the same time, Max finds himself distracted by a beautiful, sensual woman with the very French name of Fanny Chanel (Marion Cotillard), who runs a cafe in the village.

Scott mostly manages this chaos with all the finesse of a sitcom. And while Crowe mainly functions as a fish out of water, he can be undeniably sexy and charismatic, and it's a pleasure to watch him reveal that little-seen side of his personality. CHRISTY LEMIRE (AP)

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REACHING OUT: Chuck Brown grooves with Parkdale High School's Groove Band.

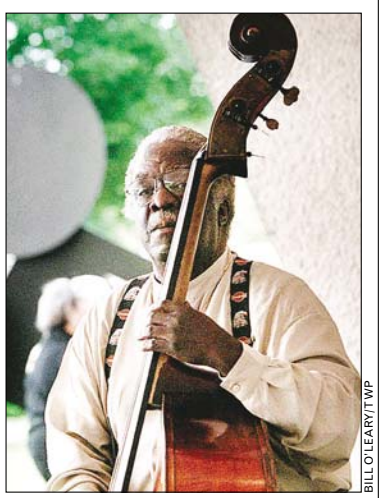
FRIDAY

It's always gratifying to see the cross-pollination of fan bases that occurs when Chuck Brown introduces his flock to visiting musicians. The Godfather of Go-Go usually (and graciously) rocks first, so the faithful arrive early and get properly wound up. Folks who are in the place to check out the other artist are often getting their first taste of go-go music, and frequently they are fans of a niche artist who hips Chuck's diehards to a new groove. You can actually see the melting pot effect happen. When Chuck hosts the Funky Meters at **STRATHMORE** tonight, the path to a unified room of converts will be much shorter than usual. Both of these revered groups play a participatory brand of free-wheeling party music. Formerly known simply as the Meters, the New Orleans legends helped define the essence of funky music more than four decades ago and they can still "crank," as go-go parlance would describe a strong band. Too bad it's going down in a seated venue, but we're not mad, because ultimately Strathmore will enable both of these treasured acts to touch many more souls in need of the funk.

It's been two months since **BEBAR** finally opened its doors, adding a cool new lounge to an entertainment-free Shaw neighborhood. It was a struggle getting the place up and running — the neighbors' opposition to the gay bar delayed its progress — but it seems to be settling in nicely. To celebrate, the owners are throwing a Two-Month Anniversary Party tonight with free rail drinks and beers from 8 p.m. to 10 p.m., and they're giving away passes to see the new James Bond movie, "Casino Royale." Get there early — when the bar first opened, the line was blocks long.

Stiff Records was one of the most influential labels to appear in the wake of London's '70s punk boom. Stiff was the home of power-pop-minded acts like Elvis Costello, Nick Lowe and Wreckless Eric. Eric never hit it as big as some of his label-mates, but he was responsible for memorable tunes such as "Whole Wide World," "Semaphore Signals" and "Reconnez Cherie," which feature easy hooks and warbled vocals. He gained a reputation as a hit-or-miss live performer — his drinking habits are the main reason why — so we'll see if he's changed his ways when he comes to the **VELVET LOUNGE** with Spoils of NW.

It seems like the D.C. jazz community is still getting over the passing of Keter Betts. The bassist, a giant on the local scene who recorded alongside Dinah Washington, Oscar Peterson and Woody Herman, died last August at 77, but you'll still find his name all over town, thanks to the Keter Betts Memorial Band and the occasional tribute concert — like tonight's at the **KENNEDY CENTER'S TERRACE THEATER**. Seven top local jazz musicians, including saxman Davey Yarborough, vocalist Vanessa Rubin and pianist Robert Redd, are performing to raise money for the Kennedy Center's jazz education programs. Michael Bowie and James King have the unenviable task of filling Betts' shoes during the concert.



BILL O'LEARY/TWP

Jazz hero Keter Betts spent decades touring with artists like Ella Fitzgerald.

SATURDAY

All Good Funk Alliance makes lounge music for those who want to put their expensive shoe leather to use on the floor instead of showing it off on a couch with a martini and a crew of chic peers. If downtempo music is the soundtrack for the lounging portion of the evening, an All Good Funk Alliance track might make a lady in your party rise from her seat, sway a bit and beckon you to join her. The two of you might even break a sweat, causing you to take off that perfectly tailored blazer. Catch the DJ duo rocking the **EIGHTEENTH STREET LOUNGE** tonight. Even though some of their more energetic tunes appeal to b-boys, make sure you leave the Clydes and shell-toes at home.

There are '80s DJs, there are hip-hop DJs, and rarely do the two mix. An exception is DJ Selector Seth, who runs a monthly hip-hop/disco/gangsta funk night called Payback at Cafe Saint-Ex, and a less-regular mashup of new wave, hip-hop, indie and dance classics at the **BLACK CAT** called Notorious. We have to admit we prefer the latter because it's not as crammed to the brim at Payback, and if you feel like dancing, you're not going to clock someone with your elbow. Hopefully. Check out tunes from the '80s, '90s and '00s tonight on the Cat's backstage, where the lack of cover charge and attitude are refreshing.

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FOOL ME TWICE: Bring Borat (comedian Sacha Baron Cohen, center) your racist, your stupid, your anti-Semites, rednecks and the ignorant, that he may mock them.

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BABEL (R, 142 minutes) Director Alejandro González Iñárritu and writer Guillermo Arriaga tell multiple stories in multiple locations around the globe. In Tokyo, a deaf teenager (Rinko Kikuchi) seems to be suffering from a mental disturbance. In the Moroccan desert, a peasant farmer's son stupidly shoots at a tourist bus, hitting grumpy American wife (Cate Blanchett), whose husband (Brad Pitt) is grumpy in his own right. Meanwhile, the couple's Mexican maid (Adriana Barraza) takes their two children into Mexico, the transit handled by her nephew (Gael García Bernal). Each tale is completely compelling on its own, and Iñárritu also proves superb at working with amateur actors. Yet as sophisticated a piece of filmmaking as it is, it seems hamstrung by the banality at its center and it never assembles into a satisfying whole. (SH)

BORAT: CULTURAL LEARNINGS OF AMERICA FOR MAKE BENEFIT GLORIOUS NATION OF KAZAKHSTAN (R, 89 minutes) Borat, played with seamless disingenuousness by Sacha Baron Cohen, has come to America to make a feature-length documentary for the people of his home country. His tour of America begins in New York—where Borat mistakes a hotel elevator for his room. But soon he's on his way to California and then through the South. As Borat cuts his wide and occasionally vicious swath, no petard goes unhoisted, a spectacle that delivers squeals, howls or at least low-level chuckles. The movie is a perfect combination of slapstick and satire, a Platonic ideal of highbrow and lowbrow that manages to appeal to our basest common denominators while brilliantly skewering racism, anti-Semitism, sexism and we're-number-one-ism. (AH)

CATCH A FIRE (PG-13, 102 minutes) This film recounts the true story of Patrick Chamusso, a South African factory worker whose political consciousness was forged in the fire of apartheid. Chamusso (Derek Luke) is blamed for a terrorist explosion, but revealing his alibi would expose a secret about his personal life, so he appears guilty and is brutally tortured. At first, we're watching a textured film about the evolution of a unique South African, but, as Chamusso's ultimate agenda becomes clear, we're suddenly caught up in an extended finale that unfolds with ticking clocks, screeching cars and SWAT teams. (DT)

COLOR OF THE CROSS (Unrated, 88 minutes) This film isn't controversial; it simply states a possibility—that Christ was a man of color—which it dramatizes earnestly within the narrow confines of its budget and the limited resources of its production crew. Like "The Passion of the Christ," this movie follows the last two days in Christ's life. There are differences. This feels like a cramped, TV-style retelling. But the real differences are thematic: Mel Gibson's film was really about the

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BAD 'TIMES'

No 'Harsh' Buzz

Unpleasantly grim and often nasty just to be nasty, David Ayer's directing debut, "Harsh Times," is more an ordeal than a movie. Despite zealous, though excessive, performances by Christian Bale and Freddy Rodriguez, this disagreeable drama forces viewers to watch two grown men wallow in the mean-streets ugliness of their stunted adolescence. The presence of Eva Longoria doesn't soften things a bit. Bale plays a former Army Ranger seeking a law-enforcement gig, even though he's clearly a dangerous psychotic. On a trip home to South Central Los Angeles, he passes the time boozing, doing drugs and carrying out an escalating crime spree while hanging out with an old slacker buddy (Rodriguez). DAVID GERMAIN (AP)

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physical ordeal of that form of death as a vessel for the sacrifice's soul passage onward. This Christ bleeds profusely, but the dramatic impact from the truncating of the story is to make the issue of color more paramount. (SH)

CONVERSATIONS WITH GOD (PG, 109 minutes) This is a dramatization of Neale Donald Walsch's best-seller of the same name, a chronicle of the author's journey from homelessness to a spiritual awakening that resulted in a million-dollar book contract. Henry Czerny portrays Walsch in a story that begins with the author on a fancy book tour and flashes back to the pivotal moments of his life. There's nothing particularly objectionable about the film until Walsch takes his God-spokesman role too far. Suddenly, the platitudes take on the sinister tone of a guy selling snake oil. (AH)

THE DEPARTED (R, 149 minutes) A deranged wit runs through this film, which finds Martin Scorsese up to his same old tricks of exploring an American ethnic subculture with frequent detours into carnage and mayhem. Scorsese plumbs the colorful depths of the Irish mob in Boston. Leonardo DiCaprio, Matt Damon and Jack Nicholson play three men who came up in Southie, only to end up on opposite sides of the law, or straddling both. The movie crackles right along, stopping only for Scorsese's signature bursts of explosive violence. Those brawls feel a bit rote, but what's different here is humor. (AH)

THE DEVIL WEARS PRADA (PG-13, 109 minutes) Meryl Streep plays Miranda Priestly, the driven, demanding editor in chief of Runway, the bible of New York fashion magazines. Miranda's latest hire is Andy Sachs (Anne Hathaway), the smart girl who eschews fashion. She wants to be a serious writer. Can Andy survive Miranda and win a recommendation that will get her in the door at any magazine in Manhattan? Streep makes it work. JENNIFER FREY

DRIVING LESSONS (PG-13, 98 minutes) In this otherwise forgettable British comedy, Rupert Grint (Ron Weasley) plays Ben, the introverted teenage son of very religious parents, and Julie Walters is Evie, a retired actress who has advertised for a "Christian" helper. When Ben takes the job, he's only too glad to get away from his controlling mother and somber preacher father. But he realizes he has exchanged one anxiety-provoking situation for another. The movie's life-affirmative agenda is ploddingly clear: Evie is going to save Ben from his harpy mother, and Evie will get a much-needed friend. Fans of Grint and Walters will

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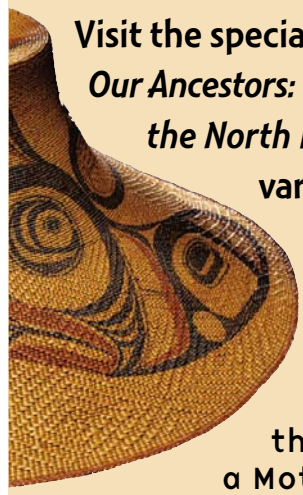

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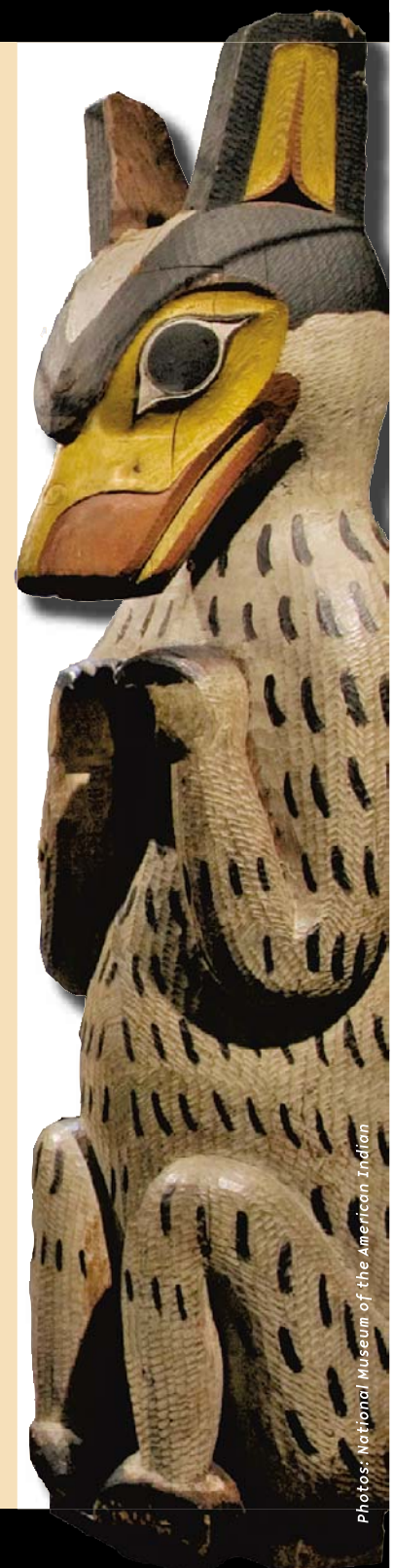

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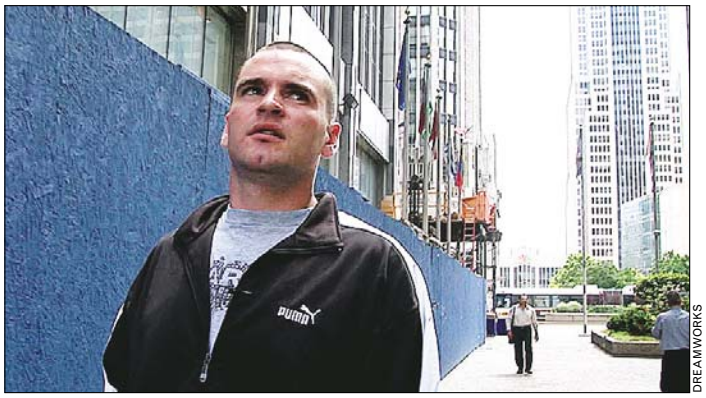

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RITUAL ABUSE

Crimes of the Father

Written and directed by Amy Berg, "Deliver Us" examines the nightmare of children sexually assaulted by Catholic priests, through the lens of one specific molester and the young people — now adults — he has admitted to having systematically abused. This is an angry film, and with reason. It shows us the pernicious effects Oliver O'Grady, once known as kindly "Father Ollie," had on not only these children but also on their once-religious parents. While the film has a weakness for overdramatization, there is nothing overdramatic about the deeply painful testimony of the adults who were victimized as children and their still-traumatized parents. "He was the closest thing to God that we knew," one mother says. "I let the wolf in through the gate."

KENNETH TURAN (LOS ANGELES TIMES)

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probably understand that the movie isn't seeking awards for originality and might be content to take this ride, even knowing the driver has only a learner's permit. (DT)

EVERYONE'S HERO (G, 90 minutes) This animated film follows the 10-year-old son of a groundskeeper at Yankee Stadium who finds a talking baseball. But wait: Let's team the ball with the Babe's talking bat. The movie's a feast of miscalculations. Neither the bat nor the ball make for an enchanting child's companion. (SH)

FACING THE GIANTS (PG, 111 minutes) This is a crushingly earnest power-of-prayer movie in which a losing high school football team, divided by jealousies, plots, cliques and internal disorder, gives itself up to God and starts winning. Writer-director Alex Kendrick stars as coach Grant Taylor of the Shiloh Christian Academy Eagles and is the benefactor of his own excellent performance as a man cut by doubts who finds a way — or should that be The Way? Kendrick knows how to tell a story powerfully and to galvanize a largely amateur cast into believable performances. The theology is for theologists to debate, but Christians will likely find it a rousing experience. (SH)

FLAGS OF OUR FATHERS (R, 132 minutes) The flag-raising on Iwo Jima was a real event that became a pseudo-event, the engine to a huge marketing machine with goals far more ambitious than the original participants could have imagined. And that process, exactly and resonantly, is the center of this heartbreaking and sobering film by Clint Eastwood. It is based on the best-seller by James Bradley, son of John "Doc" Bradley, one of the six who planted the flag on Mount Suribachi that day in February 1945. This film is passionate, honest, unflinching and gripping, and it pays respects. (SH)

FLICKA (PG, 94 minutes) Mary O'Hara's 1941 classic "My Friend Flicka" told the story of the dreamy younger son of a Wyoming rancher who found focus and love in his admiration for a mustang foal. In this edition, it's the younger daughter of a stern rancher, though the diagnosis is the same. There's no time for fibberty-dee about "feelings"; it's much more interested in how people get the job done, and that involves grit, labor and discipline. (SH)

FLUSHED AWAY (PG, 87 minutes) This first computer-generated cartoon by Aardman Animations — best known for

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Nick Park's brilliant "Wallace & Gromit" franchise — does away with the clay but leaves the craft and emotion intact. When circumstances conspire to send Roddy, a pet mouse (Hugh Jackman), down the loo and into a sewer-level London populated by rats, toads, the odd frog and a charming Greek chorus of slugs, he discovers what's really important in life. Shot through with cheeky wit and hilarious musical numbers by slugs. (AH)

GRIDIRON GANG (PG-13, 120 minutes) Dwayne "The Rock" Johnson stars as football coach Sean Porter in this fictionalized version of an inspiring real-life story. In 1990, Porter, who was working at a juvenile detention facility in California, recruited 11 of his toughest inmates to create a juvie football team and took the team to the championship. It's a terrific story, but director Phil Joanou ends up with a lugubrious tutorial on the importance of being a winner. (AH)

THE GRUDGE 2 (PG-13, 96 minutes) The central mechanism of this movie follows from a folk superstition that anyone who dies in a fit of rage leaves a curse in the location of his or her death. The meaning of the curse is resonant, which perhaps explains the global impact of the series (this is the second American version, after four Japanese variants). The movie makes no sense as it tracks between parallel stories in Tokyo and Chicago. Maybe it's not supposed to. (SH)

THE GUARDIAN (PG-13, 136 minutes Kevin Costner plays Senior Chief Ben Randall in this tribute to the Coast Guard Rescue Swimmers. Spent and depressed, Randall is asked to leave his duty station and repair to "A-School," which is a hardcore training program. There his prize pupil and biggest headache is Ashton Kutcher's Jake Fischer. For about an hour, it's a good little film, but it begins to overload its frail reed of a structure with giant sloppages of cliches. (SH)

THE ILLUSIONIST (PG-13, 109 minutes) Edward Norton plays Eisenheim, an illusionist who has become the toast of aristocratic Vienna and is being watched by Chief Inspector Uhl (Paul Giamatti). The movie then backtracks to Eisenheim's beginnings as a poor boy, his friendship with a spirited young duchess and the downfall of their budding romance. The movie is a subtle, eerie augury of the cataclysm that awaits Austria, but it can't overcome a fatal inertness. (AH)

INFAMOUS (R, 120 minutes) Timing's turned this film into a novelty item. It covers the same material as last year's "Capote" and was held back for the memories of that film to fade, but they probably haven't. Both tell the story of the diminutive, gay, sophisticate writer who ventured to Kansas in 1959 to chronicle the murder, investigation, trial and execution that became the book "In Cold Blood." Though it's not as good as the brilliant "Capote," it's nevertheless a riveting, well-made picture for those who remember books and when they were really important. (SH)

INVINCIBLE (PG, 99 minutes) Who doesn't have a soft spot for real-life sports stories reenacted by our most lovable Hollywood stars? Mark Wahlberg stars as Vince Papale, who in 1976 joined hundreds of Philadelphia Eagles fans in a publicity stunt of an open tryout; no one was more surprised than Papale himself when he made the cut. "Invincible" tells Papale's story without frills, contextualizing his achievement in 1970s Philly. (AH)

JACKASS: NUMBER TWO (R, 95 minutes) This sequel amounts to wall-to-wall bonehead behavior and it's hard to justify the grosser material, some of which borders on the pornographic. But these dudes understand the simple integrity of a slapstick gag. (DT)

THE LAST KING OF SCOTLAND (R, 121 minutes) This film concerns the flamboyant African despot Idi Amin, said to have been responsible for the murder of 300,000 of his fellow Ugandans during the '70s. The movie uses a fictional device to get up close and personal, but Amin, representing a human extreme, is so much more interesting than his witness, a young Scottish doctor of prosaic appetites and self-interests (James McAvoy). (SH)

LITTLE CHILDREN (R, 130 minutes) In this movie, the arrival of a convicted child molester in East Wyndam, Mass., triggers

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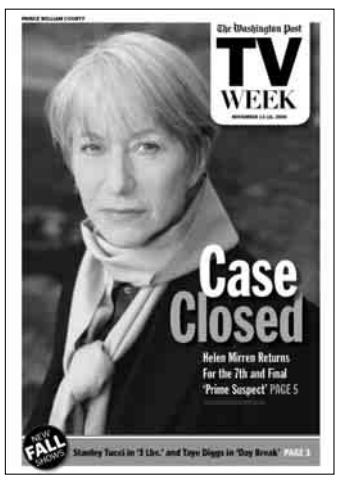

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OH, IT'S YOU AGAIN

'Return' to Sender

Less than a month after "The Grudge 2" opened, Sarah Michelle Gellar is back with "The Return," another PG-13 supernatural thriller that features scary things jumping out of nowhere and being, you know, all scary. At least that's what we imagine "The Return" is like; as with most horror flicks, this one wasn't screened for critics.

Joanna Mills (Gellar) is a successful sales rep for a trucking company, but she's haunted by visions of a brutal murder of a woman she's never met. And Mills knows she'll be next. She goes to the dead woman's hometown to search for clues, and once Mills is there, all hell breaks loose — most likely in a moody blue light.

CHRISTOPHER PORTER (EXPRESS)

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outrage throughout the community. But in this movie's reverse code, Ronnie the pedophile (Jackie Earle Haley) is practically one of the good guys. What links the well-to-do residents of the town is a deep-seated frustration. The happiness everyone seeks seems to be missing. The film is a hugely absorbing social drama that is, by turns, excruciating, sad and sardonic. (DT)

LITTLE MISS SUNSHINE (R, 101 minutes) Throw a quirky family in a broken-down, yellow VW bus en route from Albuquerque to Redondo Beach, Calif., so that 7-year-old Olive (Abigail Breslin) can compete for the dubious title of Little Miss Sunshine. What happens when the family actually makes it to the pageant is sad, sweet, enlightening and really, really funny. JENNIFER FREY

MAN OF THE YEAR (PG-13, 108 minutes) A talk-show host is asked why he won't run for president; the question spawns an Internet campaign urging him to run, and eventually he jumps into the race. For the first half-hour, Williams does his trademark stand-up and the script skewers politicians as surface-over-substance and the political process as cheap cabaret. Then comes an electronic voting controversy. And corporate greed. Witness stalkings and car chases. If you're expecting a laugh fest, beware. (JF)

MARIE ANTOINETTE (PG-13, 118 minutes) Sofia Coppola has never been partial to narrative, but with this film she proves that she can tell a story. Kirsten Dunst plays the notorious French queen, whose engagement at age 14 to King Louis XVI was less a betrothal than a geopolitical merger. Much has been made of Coppola's frothy depiction of the Court of Versailles, but naysayers have completely missed the point of a film that is suffused with politics. Coppola brilliantly conjures the young queen's insular world, in which she was both isolated and claustrophobically scrutinized. (AH)

THE MARINE (PG-13, 93 minutes) John Cena shouldn't quit his day job. He plays John Triton, a war-tested Marine who's honorably discharged for killing terrorists without authorization. John gets back to the action, however, when a bionic gang of diamond robbers takes his wife hostage. The movie doesn't wear patriotism on its sleeve — it nails a stars-and-stripes poster board to its forehead. (DT)

OPEN SEASON (PG, 79 minutes) Martin Lawrence voices Boog the bear, a grizzly who as a cub was adopted by kindhearted park ranger Beth (Debra Messing).

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When he crosses paths with an errant mule deer named Elliot (Ashton Kutcher), however, his cushy lifestyle ends, and he is dropped back into the wild, three days before hunting season. With a slick visual style, the movie trots out tropes that recent animated classics have done with more wit and smarts. (AH)

THE PRESTIGE (PG, 129 minutes) Christian Bale, Hugh Jackman and Michael Caine, who play feuding magicians and their mentor, respectively. And there's the twisty plot that actually gives viewers a fighting chance to figure things out before the Big Reveal. If you see only one magic-at-the-turn-of-the-century movie this year, make it this one. (AH)

THE QUEEN (PG-13, 99 minutes) England's constitutional irony is the chilly but entertaining subtext of Stephen Frears' tragicomedy about the worst public relations crisis at Buckingham Palace since Henry VIII. The crisis begins in late August 1997, when Queen Elizabeth II (Helen Mirren) learns of Princess Diana's death. Mirren's finely calibrated performance reveals a complex woman coping with a bewildering world. (DT)

RUNNING WITH SCISSORS (R, 120 minutes) Annette Bening goes full-bore dame in this movie, which is based on Augusten Burroughs' best-selling memoir. She's always perversely amusing, and the story is constructed as a survivor's ordeal, not a colorful picaresque. The survivor is her son, Augusten (Joseph Cross). When Bening is blowing the rafters off as the self-deluded Dierdre, the movie has an engine. Alas, as it progresses, she seems to be gone longer and longer, leaving the film little to do except to chart poor Augusten's progress. (SH)

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SO FAR FROM HOME: A random bullet has international repercussions in "Babel."

SANTA CLAUS 3: THE ESCAPE CLAUSE (G, 98 minutes) The third in a franchise that peaked in its first installment, this movie, which re-stars Tim Allen and 40 pounds of phony belly as the Christmas guy, has an almost criminal lack of invention or charm or even much story. (SH)

SAW III (R, 107 minutes) The gruesome manipulator Jigsaw (Tobin Bell) was last seen dying of brain cancer in "Saw II." But he captures a brain surgeon and forces her to operate on him with the tools in his hideout. Her incentive to succeed: a timed explosive device around her neck. A weird amalgam of disturbing gore and arty attempts to interweave Jigsaw's strange relationship with his sullen, ex-junkie assistant with flashback sequences and running storylines from the two previous movies, this sequel is essentially another hack job. (DT)

THE SCIENCE OF SLEEP (R, 106 minutes) In this romantic fantasy, Gael García Bernal plays Stéphane, a young man unable to tell the difference between dreams and reality. The movie never intends to be deeper than a magician's hat; its wonderfully low-tech, stop-motion technique is a tacit rebuke to computer-graphics-heavy fantasies. (DT)

SHORTBUS (Unrated, 101 minutes) John Cameron Mitchell, best known for "Hedwig and the Angry Inch," brings giddiness to this exploration of on-screen sex. But once the shock value has worn off, the movie becomes less daring than tiresome. (AH)

SWEET LAND (Unrated, 110 minutes) This story of the aging Inge (Lois Smith), who, in the late 1960s, looks back on 48 happy years spent with her recently deceased husband, Olaf, is a visually alluring meander through memories and time. (DT)

TALLADEGA NIGHTS: THE BALLAD OF RICKY BOBBY (PG-13, 105 minutes) Will Ferrell's NASCAR send-up doesn't do much more than go for the quick guffaw from stereotypical redneck jokes. (TW)

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Guitar Hero allows video gamers — and rock stars — to rock

VIDEO GAMES | On tour with his multiplatinum hard-rock band Korn last summer, Jonathan Davis regularly whipped crowds into a frenzy with classic-rock staples such as "Iron Man," "Smoke on the Water" and "More Than a Feeling." And that was before he even got off the tour bus.

Davis, Korn's lead singer, is part of an unlikely but growing fraternity: Rock stars who are also avid players of Guitar Hero, an electronic game that lets gamers pretend to be, well, rock stars.

Intended for air guitarists who might not be able to play the real instrument, the $70 PlayStation title has also won a following in the music world.

The game involves using a miniature plastic guitar to "play" along with songs associated with the likes of Jimi Hendrix, Boston and the Ramones. Instead of strumming strings, players press color-coded buttons on the neck of the guitar to match "notes" that scroll across the TV screen. At the same time, players "pluck" a little toggle, earning points each time they hit a note successfully, which is then played through the speakers.

MICHAEL BUCKNER/GETTY

KORN DOG: Jonathan Davis doesn't just like to annoy people with his nasally voice. The Korn crooner is an obsessive player of Guitar Hero, a video game that rocks.

The game is one reason Viacom Inc.'s MTV Networks recently agreed to pay $175 million to acquire the company that developed its software and hardware, Harmonix Music Systems Inc. A second version is due out this week.

Korn's Davis brought Guitar Hero on the road with him this past summer. But he is waiting until his band's next tour before inviting musicians from other bands to compete, when they will be able to play using a new, high-end audiovisual rig. "I didn't want to be a chump," he says. "I had to get my sound system hooked up right."

ETHAN SMITH (THE WALL STREET JOURNAL)

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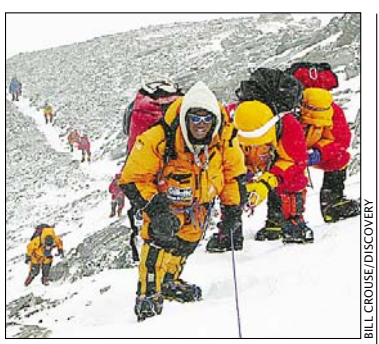

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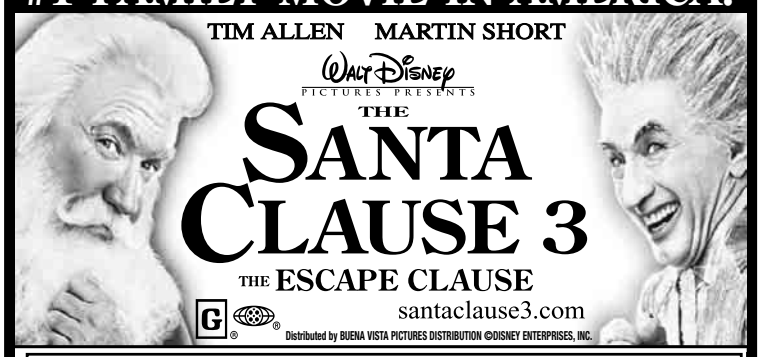

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HARSH TIMES (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (110 420) 725 1025
STRANGER THAN FICTION (PG-13) DIG (120 430) 720 1020
A GOOD YEAR (PG-13) DIG (130 440) 740 1030
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OC & DA: FLUSHED AWAY (PG) DIG (1215)
FLUSHED AWAY (PG) DIG (225 450) 710 920 1130
BORAT (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (1220 1250 240 340 515) 630 745 930 1010 1150 1230
SANTA CLAUSE 3: THE ESCAPE CLAUSE (G) DIG ★ (1205 230 500) 730 950 1210
RUNNING WITH SCISSORS (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (100 400) 705 1000
SAW III (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (1210 245 520) 800 1035
THE PRESTIGE (PG-13) DIG (1225 410) 735 1030
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HARSH TIMES (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (150 440) 730 1020
FLUSHED AWAY (PG) DIG (205 235 425 455) 655 725 910 940
BORAT (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (220 250 450 520) 710 740 935 1005
SANTA CLAUSE 3: THE ESCAPE CLAUSE (G) DIG ★ (145 215 415 435) 645 715 920 950
RUNNING WITH SCISSORS (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (130 420) 705 1000
CATCH A FIRE (PG-13) DIG 700 930
SAW III (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (230 510) 750 1030
THE QUEEN (PG-13) DIG (225 500) 745 1025
OPEN SEASON (PG) DIG (210 430)
LITTLE MISS SUNSHINE (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (200 445) 720 955

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HARSH TIMES (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (150 440) 800 1045
STRANGER THAN FICTION (PG-13) DIG (1135 220 500) 750 1040
A GOOD YEAR (PG-13) DIG (130 435) 740 1030
THE RETURN (PG-13) DIG (1240 310 530) 810 1045
FLUSHED AWAY (PG) DIG (1130 1215 200 245 430 500) 710 950
BORAT (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (1200 220 515) 805 1040
SANTA CLAUSE 3: THE ESCAPE CLAUSE (G) DIG ★ (1135 1215 225 305 505) 705 745 930 1010
SAW III (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (135 415) 725 1025
FLAGS OF OUR FATHERS (R) - ID REQ'D DIG 710 1020
THE PRESTIGE (PG-13) DIG (1230 420) 735 1035
ONE NIGHT WITH THE KING (PG) DIG (130 440) 735 1035
DEPARTED (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (1140 300) 700 1015
FACING THE GIANTS (PG) DIG (140 425) 715 945

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Adv. Tix on Sale HAPPY FEET (PG) ★
Adv. Tix on Sale CASINO ROYALE (PG-13) ★
A GOOD YEAR (PG-13) DIG (100 400) 730 1010
FLUSHED AWAY (PG) DIG (1215 235 440) 700 920
BORAT (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (1200 1240 210 250 420 500) 720 750 940 1015
SANTA CLAUSE 3: THE ESCAPE CLAUSE (G) DIG ★ (1210 230 450) 715 950
SAW III (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (115 350) 650 945
THE PRESTIGE (PG-13) DIG (1245 410) 725 1020
MARIE ANTOINETTE (PG-13) DIG (1250 335) 705 1000
FLAGS OF OUR FATHERS (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (1230 340) 710 1015
DEPARTED (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (110 430) 800

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Adv. Tix on Sale DECK THE HALLS (PG) ★
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STRANGER THAN FICTION (PG-13) DIG (140 430) 720 1010
A GOOD YEAR (PG-13) DIG (150 440) 730 1020
HARSH TIMES (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (155 445) 735 1025
THE RETURN (PG-13) DIG (1240 255 510) 725 940 1155
OC & DA: FLUSHED AWAY (PG) DIG (1130)
FLUSHED AWAY (PG) DIG (1200 145 215 405 435) 630 700 845 915
SANTA CLAUSE 3: THE ESCAPE CLAUSE (G) DIG ★ (1135 135 205 415 450) 640 715 910 945
BORAT (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (1225 1255 240 310 455 525) 710 740 925 955 1140
RUNNING WITH SCISSORS (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (210 505) 800 1100
SAW III (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (110 350) 630 910 1150
THE PRESTIGE (PG-13) DIG (125 425) 750 1050
MARIE ANTOINETTE (PG-13) DIG (200 500) 755 1055
FLAGS OF OUR FATHERS (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (1235 345) 650 1000
DEPARTED (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (1215 340) 705 1030

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OC & DA: FLUSHED AWAY (PG) DIG (1140)
THE NIGHTMARE BEFORE CHRISTMAS 3D: $2 FEE FOR 3D (PG) DIG (1120 110 345) 620
HARSH TIMES (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (120 420) 730 1020
STRANGER THAN FICTION (PG-13) DIG (1130 210 500) 740 1025
A GOOD YEAR (PG-13) DIG (200 445) 725 1030
THE RETURN (PG-13) DIG (1135 245 510) 745 1010
FLUSHED AWAY (PG) DIG (1230 130 220 300 400 450 550) 715 820 945
SANTA CLAUSE 3: THE ESCAPE CLAUSE (G) DIG ★ (1150 1250 150 240 340 440 540) 610 710 810 900 950
BORAT (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (1130 1210 140 250 430 530) 700 800 940 1040
BABEL (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (1240 350) 720 1035
SAW III (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (1145 230 520) 750 1015
THE PRESTIGE (PG-13) DIG (1220 320) 645 955
MARIE ANTOINETTE (PG-13) DIG (1245 330) 625 920
FLAGS OF OUR FATHERS (R) - ID REQ'D DIG 630 930
THE QUEEN (PG-13) DIG (145 415) 650 915
MAN OF THE YEAR (PG-13) DIG 635 910
DEPARTED (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (1200 310) 640 1000
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STRANGER THAN FICTION (PG-13) DIG (130 450) 745 1030
A GOOD YEAR (PG-13) DIG (145 440) 740 1025
THE RETURN (PG-13) DIG (1235 255 505) 755 1005 1215
FLUSHED AWAY (PG) DIG (1200 125 220 355 445) 700 920
BORAT (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (1235 240 455) 720 750 940 1010 1200
SANTA CLAUSE 3: THE ESCAPE CLAUSE (G) ★ (1230 300 520) 800 1030
SANTA CLAUSE 3: THE ESCAPE CLAUSE (G) DIG ★ (140 415) 715 950 1210
BABEL (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (100 415) 725 1035
SAW III (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (1205 235 500) 815 1100
THE PRESTIGE (PG-13) DIG (115 420) 730 1020
MARIE ANTOINETTE (PG-13) DIG (120 405) 705 955
DEPARTED (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (1210 345) 710 1035

FAIRFAX TOWNE CENTER 10
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Adv. Tix on Sale THE NATIVITY STORY (PG) ★
Adv. Tix on Sale DECK THE HALLS (PG) ★
Adv. Tix on Sale DEJA VU (PG-13) ★
BABEL (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (100 145 410 450) 715 800 1020
BORAT (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (105 140 315 400 530) 700 740 925 955
THE PRESTIGE (PG-13) DIG (120 420) 720 1015
RUNNING WITH SCISSORS (R) - ID REQ'D (135 425) 725 1010
DEPARTED (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (110 430) 750
SAW III (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (150 440) 730 1005
FACING THE GIANTS (PG) DIG (130 405) 645 935
MAN OF THE YEAR (PG-13) (125 415) 650 945

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Adv. Tix on Sale THE NATIVITY STORY (PG) ★
Adv. Tix on Sale CASINO ROYALE (PG-13) ★
Adv. Tix on Sale DECK THE HALLS (PG) ★
Adv. Tix on Sale DEJA VU (PG-13) ★
STRANGER THAN FICTION (PG-13) DIG (1245 415) 715 1015
A GOOD YEAR (PG-13) DIG (100 400) 730 1030
HARSH TIMES (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (1250 420) 720 1025
THE RETURN (PG-13) DIG (1220 240 500) 745 1020
BORAT (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (1140 200 430) 740 1010
FLUSHED AWAY (PG) DIG (1130 1210 150 230 415 500) 645 715 930 1015
SANTA CLAUSE 3: THE ESCAPE CLAUSE (G) DIG ★ (1135 1215 210 245 445 515) 720 750 955 1030
SAW III (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (1200 240 520) 800 1035
THE PRESTIGE (PG-13) DIG (100 420) 730 1035
FLAGS OF OUR FATHERS (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (1230 400) 710 1010
DEPARTED (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (1210 330) 700 1020
FACING THE GIANTS (PG) DIG (1240 410) 700 950

UA SNOWDEN SQ STADIUM 14
9161 Commerce Ctr Dr — 800-FANDANGO 570#

Adv. Tix on Sale HAPPY FEET (PG) ★
Adv. Tix on Sale CASINO ROYALE (PG-13) ★
Adv. Tix on Sale DANE COOK VICIOUS CIRCLE COMEDY SPECIAL (NR) ★
HARSH TIMES (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (130 430) 715 1000
STRANGER THAN FICTION (PG-13) DIG (145 430) 730 1010
A GOOD YEAR (PG-13) DIG (115 415) 715 1000
THE RETURN (PG-13) DIG (115 330 530) 815 1030
OC & DA: SANTA CLAUSE 3 (G) DIG ★ (100)
BORAT (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (1230 300 515) 745 1015
FLUSHED AWAY (PG) DIG (1230 300 515) 745 1020
SANTA CLAUSE 3: THE ESCAPE CLAUSE (G) DIG ★ (200 400 500) 700 800 930 1030
BABEL (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (1225 345) 700 1015
SAW III (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (200 445) 730 1010
THE PRESTIGE (PG-13) DIG (1245 345) 645 945
FLAGS OF OUR FATHERS (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (330) 915
MARIE ANTOINETTE (PG-13) DIG (1245 400) 645 930
MAN OF THE YEAR (PG-13) DIG (100) 630
DEPARTED (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (130 445) 800

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Adv. Tix on Sale DECK THE HALLS (PG) ★
Adv. Tix on Sale DEJA VU (PG-13) ★
HARSH TIMES (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (1245 340) 715 950
STRANGER THAN FICTION (PG-13) DIG (1120 200 445) 730 1010
A GOOD YEAR (PG-13) DIG (1240 330) 720 1005
THE RETURN (PG-13) DIG (1215 230 455) 755 1015
FLUSHED AWAY (PG) DIG (1135 1230 150 245 415 450) 640 710 905 930
BORAT (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (1205 220 435) 745 1000
SANTA CLAUSE 3: THE ESCAPE CLAUSE (G) DIG ★ (1125 1155 155 235 425 505) 700 740 920 1020
SAW III (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (100 350) 655 925
THE PRESTIGE (PG-13) DIG (1220 315) 650 940
FLICKA (PG) DIG (1255 325)
FLAGS OF OUR FATHERS (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (1150 255) 635 935
MAN OF THE YEAR (PG-13) DIG 655 955
DEPARTED (R) - ID REQ'D DIG (1140 305) 630 945

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***HARSH TIMES (R)** 12:30, 3:20, 7:30, 10:15
***BORAT! (R)** 12:00, 2:10, 4:20, 6:30, 8:40, 10:50
***FLUSHED AWAY (PG)** 1:00, 1:45, 3:15, 4:10, 5:30 7:00, 7:45, 9:15, 9:55
***THE SANTA CLAUSE 3: THE ESCAPE CLAUSE (G)** 1:30, 2:00, 4:00, 5:00 6:45, 7:25, 9:10, 9:45
SAW III (R) 12:05, 1:20, 2:45, 4:15, 5:40 7:20, 8:15, 10:20
RUNNING WITH SCISSORS (R) 12:55, 4:45, 7:35, 10:40
CATCH A FIRE (PG-13) 1:05, 3:55, 7:05, 9:35
THE QUEEN (PG-13) 12:45, 4:25, 7:50, 10:10
THE PRESTIGE (PG-13) 12:20, 3:25, 7:10, 10:35
MARIE ANTOINETTE (PG-13) 12:35, 3:40, 7:40, 10:25
FLAGS OF OUR FATHERS (R) 12:25, 3:35, 6:40, 9:40
ONE NIGHT WITH THE KING (PG) 12:50, 3:50, 6:55, 9:50
THE GRUDGE 2 (PG-13) 8:00, 10:45
THE MARINE (PG-13) 1:35, 4:05, 6:35, 9:30
THE DEPARTED (R) 12:10, 3:30, 6:50, 10:05
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THE SANTA CLAUSE 3: THE ESCAPE CLAUSE (G) (!) 12:30, 2:40, 5:00, 7:05, 9:30
FLUSHED AWAY (PG)
(!) 12:30, 2:40, 5:00, 7:05, 9:30
SAW III (R)
(!) 12:20, 2:45, 5:20, 7:50, 10:30
THE RETURN (PG-13)
(!) 12:20, 2:45, 5:20, 7:50, 10:10

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BABEL (R)
1:00, 2:00, 4:00, 7:05, 7:50, 10:00
THE QUEEN (PG-13)
1:30, 4:10, 5:05, 6:45, 9:20
RUNNING WITH SCISSORS (R)
1:10, 3:55, 7:00, 9:45
LITTLE CHILDREN (R)
1:15, 4:05, 6:55, 9:40
THE LAST KING OF SCOTLAND (R)
1:20, 4:20, 7:10, 9:50

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A NIGHT WITH THE KING (PG)
2:00, 4:15, 6:30, 10:35
COLOR OF THE CROSS (PG-13) 12:10, 8:45
FLUSHED AWAY (PG)
12:25, 2:20, 4:20, 6:15, 8:15, 10:15
HARSH TIMES (R)
12:00, 2:15, 4:30, 6:45, 9:00, 11:15
THE RETURN (PG-13)
12:30, 2:20, 4:10, 6:00, 7:50, 9:40, 11:30
SAW III (R)
12:15, 2:25, 4:35, 6:45, 8:55, 11:05
THE SANTA CLAUSE 3: THE ESCAPE CLAUSE (G) 12:20, 2:15, 4:10, 6:10, 8:10, 10:10

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1:00, 3:00, 5:00, 7:10, 9:20
THE SANTA CLAUSE 3: THE ESCAPE CLAUSE (G) 1:15, 3:15, 5:15, 7:25, 9:30
THE PRESTIGE (PG-13) 4:25, 7:00, 9:40

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BABEL (R) (!) 4:00, 7:00, 10:00
HARSH TIMES (R) (!) 4:50, 7:20, 9:55
THE RETURN (PG-13) (!) 5:00, 7:40, 10:15
STRANGER THAN FICTION (PG-13)
(!) 4:25, 7:10, 9:40
A GOOD YEAR (PG-13)
(!) 4:45, 7:25, 9:50
BORAT (R) (!) 3:30, 5:30, 7:30, 9:35
FLUSHED AWAY (PG)
(!) 3:00, 5:00, 7:10, 9:20
THE SANTA CLAUSE 3: THE ESCAPE CLAUSE (G) (!) 3:15, 5:15, 7:20, 9:30
SAW III (R) 5:25, 7:45, 10:10
BOYNTON BEACH CLUB (NR)
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THE DEPARTED (R) 5:10, 8:15

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10:00 am, 1:00, 4:15, 7:20, 10:05
A GOOD YEAR (PG-13)
9:50 am, 12:10, 2:35, 5:00, 7:40, 10:00
THE QUEEN (PG-13)
9:55 am, 12:00, 2:15, 4:30, 7:30, 9:35
FLAGS OF OUR FATHERS (R)
10:05 am, 1:15, 4:00, 7:10, 9:40
DRIVING LESSONS (PG-13)
9:45 am, 12:05, 7:50
RUNNING WITH SCISSORS (R)
2:10, 4:40, 9:50

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***STRANGER THAN FICTION (PG-13)**
11:45, 2:20, 5:00, 7:45, 10:30
***A GOOD YEAR (PG-13)**
1:10, 4:10, 7:15, 10:10
***BABEL (R)**
12:05, 3:20, 6:50, 10:00
***THE RETURN (PG-13)**
12:20, 2:50, 5:10, 7:30, 9:50
***HARSH TIMES (R)**
1:30, 4:40, 7:55, 10:35
***FLUSHED AWAY (PG)**
11:55, 2:05, 4:30, 7:00, 9:20
***THE SANTA CLAUSE 3: THE ESCAPE CLAUSE (G)**
12:15, 1:05, 2:35, 3:40, 4:55 6:30, 7:20, 9:00, 9:45
***BORAT (R)**
12:55, 3:05, 5:20, 8:05, 10:20
SAW III (R)
1:25, 4:20, 7:35, 10:15
RUNNING WITH SCISSORS (R)
12:45, 3:50, 7:05, 9:55
FLAGS OF OUR FATHERS (R)
12:30, 3:30, 6:40, 9:40
PRESTIGE (PG-13)
12:50, 4:05, 7:10, 10:05
MARIE ANTOINETTE (PG-13)
12:40, 4:25, 7:40, 10:25
MAN OF THE YEAR (PG-13)
1:15, 3:55, 6:35, 9:30
THE DEPARTED (R)
1:20, 4:50, 8:15

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BABEL (R)
10:30, 11:00, 1:30, 2:00 5:00, 7:00, 8:00
THE QUEEN (PG-13)
11:35, 2:10, 4:45, 7:20, 9:35
THE LAST KING OF SCOTLAND (R)
11:05, 1:45, 4:25, 7:05, 9:40
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A GOOD YEAR (PG13) CC ✓ (10:20 @ $5), 1:05, 4:05, 6:55, 9:50, 12:30
HARSH TIMES (R) ✓ (11:55 @ $5), 2:35, 5:15, 7:55, 10:35
THE RETURN (PG13) ✓ (11:35 @ $5), 2:10, 4:55, 7:35, 10:15, 12:30
STRANGER THAN FICTION (PG13) ✓ (10:45 @ $5), 12:15, 2:00, 3:05, 4:50, 5:50, 7:45, 8:45, 10:50, 11:45
BORAT (R) ✓ (11:45 @ $5), 12:30, 2:15, 3:00, 4:35, 5:30, 7:00, 8:00, 9:30, 10:30, 12:00, 12:45
FLUSHED AWAY (PG) ✓ (10:15, 11:15 @ $5), 12:45, 1:45, 3:15, 4:10, 5:45, 6:45, 8:15, 9:15, 10:45, 11:45
THE SANTA CLAUSE 3: THE ESCAPE CLAUSE (G) ✓ (10:35, 11:30 @ $5), 1:00, 2:00, 3:45, 4:45, 6:30, 7:30, 9:00, 10:00, 11:30
SAW III (R) (10:55 @ $5), 1:50, 4:45, 7:45, 10:45, 12:45
FLAGS OF OUR FATHERS (R) (10:15 @ $5), 1:15, 4:15, 7:20, 10:40
THE PRESTIGE (PG13) (10:30 @ $5), 1:25, 4:20, 7:20, 10:10
THE GRUDGE 2 (PG13) 2:20, 7:50
MAN OF THE YEAR (PG13) 1:55, 7:10, 12:30
THE DEPARTED (R) (11:50 @ $5), 3:50, 7:35, 11:05

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BABEL (R) ✓ (11:00 @ $5), 12:00, 2:30, 3:30, 6:15, 7:15, 9:40, 10:40
CATCH A FIRE (PG13) (11:20 @ $5), 4:40, 9:55
RUNNING WITH SCISSORS (R) (11:10 @ $5), 5:00, 10:25
MARIE ANTOINETTE (PG13) (10:50 @ $5), 1:40, 4:30, 7:25, 10:25
ONE NIGHT WITH THE KING (PG) (10:25 @ $5), 1:10, 4:25, 7:15, 10:00
THE QUEEN (PG13) (11:05 @ $5), 2:05, 4:50, 7:40, 10:20

AMC SPRINGFIELD MALL 10
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A GOOD YEAR (PG13) ✓ 1:10, 4:10, 7:10, 9:50
THE RETURN (PG13) ✓ 1:00, 3:10, 5:20, 7:35, 9:45
STRANGER THAN FICTION (PG13) ✓ 1:30, 4:30, 7:20, 10:00
BORAT (R) ✓ 1:00, 3:20, 5:40, 8:00, 10:30
FLUSHED AWAY (PG) ✓ 12:35, 2:50, 5:10, 7:30, 9:45
THE SANTA CLAUSE 3: THE ESCAPE CLAUSE (G) ✓ 12:45, 3:10, 5:30, 7:50, 10:10
SAW III (R) 1:40, 4:40, 7:50, 10:20
THE PRESTIGE (PG13) 1:20, 4:20, 7:15, 10:15
THE DEPARTED (R) 12:40, 3:50, 7:00, 10:10

AMC SELECT
BABEL (R) ✓ 1:10, 4:10, 7:10, 10:15

AMC MAZZA GALLERIE
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A GOOD YEAR (PG13) ✓ (11:30 @ $5), 2:10, 4:50, 7:30, 10:15
BORAT (R) ✓ (11:00 @ $5), 1:10, 3:20, 5:25, 7:50, 10:10
FLUSHED AWAY (PG) ✓ (10:50 @ $5), 1:00, 3:10, 5:30, 7:40, 9:50
THE SANTA CLAUSE 3: THE ESCAPE CLAUSE (G) ✓ (10:15 @ $5), 12:40, 3:00, 5:20, 7:35, 9:55
THE SANTA CLAUSE 3: THE ESCAPE CLAUSE (G) CC ✓ (10:15 @ $5), 12:40, 3:00, 5:20, 7:35, 9:55
THE PRESTIGE (PG13) (10:40 @ $5), 1:30, 4:20, 7:10, 10:00
THE DEPARTED (R) 12:00, 3:10, 6:20, 9:30

AMC SELECT
BABEL (R) ✓ 12:30, 3:35, 6:40, 9:45

LOEWS LEXINGTON PARK 6
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BORAT (R) (11:00 @ $4), 1:00, 3:45, 6:00, 8:30, 10:45
FLUSHED AWAY (PG) (10:30 @ $4), 12:55, 3:30, 5:45, 8:15, 10:20
THE SANTA CLAUSE 3: THE ESCAPE CLAUSE (G) (10:15 @ $4), 12:35, 3:00, 5:30, 8:00, 10:30
SAW III (R) (11:30 @ $4), 2:00, 4:30, 7:00, 9:30
MAN OF THE YEAR (PG13) (10:45 @ $4), 1:15, 4:15, 7:15, 10:00
THE DEPARTED (R) 12:00, 3:15, 6:30, 9:45

LOEWS GEORGETOWN 14
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DIGITAL 3D
TIM BURTON'S THE NIGHTMARE BEFORE CHRISTMAS IN DISNEY DIGITAL 3D (PG) 2:45, 11:15

A GOOD YEAR (PG13) ✓ 1:55, 4:35, 7:20, 10:10
A GOOD YEAR (PG13) CC ✓ 1:55, 4:35, 7:20, 10:10
HARSH TIMES (R) ✓ 12:00, 2:30, 5:15, 7:55, 10:40
THE RETURN (PG13) ✓ 12:25, 2:40, 4:55, 7:15, 9:35, 12:00
STRANGER THAN FICTION (PG13) ✓ 2:15, 5:00, 7:45, 10:35
BORAT (R) ✓ 12:00, 12:30, 2:05, 2:50, 4:25, 5:10, 6:45, 7:30, 9:10, 9:55, 11:35, 12:20
FLUSHED AWAY (PG) ✓ 1:20, 3:35, 5:50, 8:10, 10:25
THE PRESTIGE (PG13) 12:50, 3:50, 6:50, 10:00
THE DEPARTED (R) 12:40, 3:55, 7:10, 10:30

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BABEL (R) ✓ 12:20, 3:45, 4:45, 7:00, 8:00, 10:20
RUNNING WITH SCISSORS (R) 1:40, 4:30, 7:25, 10:15
MARIE ANTOINETTE (PG13) 2:00, 4:50, 7:40, 10:45
THE QUEEN (PG13) 12:05, 2:35, 5:05, 7:35, 10:05

LOEWS UPTOWN 1
3426 Connecticut Avenue N.W.
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FLAGS OF OUR FATHERS (R) 1:00, 4:00, 7:00, 10:00

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THE RETURN (PG13) ✓ 5:45, 8:10, 10:45
FLUSHED AWAY (PG) ✓ 5:40, 8:10, 10:30
THE SANTA CLAUSE 3: THE ESCAPE CLAUSE (G) ✓ 4:15, 7:15, 9:50
SAW III (R) 4:10, 4:40, 7:00, 7:30, 10:00, 10:30
THE GRUDGE 2 (PG13) 5:10, 8:05, 10:40
THE MARINE (PG13) 4:50, 8:00, 10:45
THE DEPARTED (R) 7:00, 10:10
OPEN SEASON (PG) 5:45, 8:10, 10:30
GRIDIRON GANG (PG13) 4:35, 7:25, 10:15

AMC SELECT
BABEL (R) ✓ 7:00, 10:15
CATCH A FIRE (PG13) 4:25, 7:10, 10:00

AMC POTOMAC MILLS 18
2700 Potomac Mills Circle, Ste 886
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A GOOD YEAR (PG13) ✓ (11:00 @ $5), 1:40, 4:20, 7:00, 9:40
HARSH TIMES (R) ✓ (11:50 @ $5), 2:30, 5:10, 7:50, 10:30
THE RETURN (PG13) ✓ (10:45 @ $5), 1:00, 3:15, 5:30, 7:45, 10:00
STRANGER THAN FICTION (PG13) ✓ (11:30 @ $5), 2:10, 4:50, 7:30, 10:10
BORAT (R) ✓ (10:20, 11:20 @ $5), 12:30, 1:30, 2:40, 3:40, 4:55, 5:50, 7:10, 8:10, 9:30, 10:40, 11:40
BORAT (R) CC ✓ (11:20 @ $5), 1:30, 3:40, 5:50, 8:10, 10:40
FLUSHED AWAY (PG) ✓ (10:25, 11:25 @ $5), 12:50, 1:50, 3:10, 4:15, 5:40, 6:45, 8:00, 9:10, 10:25
THE SANTA CLAUSE 3: THE ESCAPE CLAUSE (G) ✓ (10:40, 11:40 @ $5), 1:20, 2:20, 3:50, 4:45, 6:20, 7:20, 9:00, 9:50, 11:20
SAW III (R) (10:35 @ $5), 1:25, 3:55, 6:40, 9:20
FLAGS OF OUR FATHERS (R) (10:15 @ $5), 1:15, 4:25, 7:35, 10:45
THE PRESTIGE (PG13) 12:55, 4:00, 7:55, 10:50
MAN OF THE YEAR (PG13) 7:25, 10:15
THE DEPARTED (R) 12:25, 3:45, 7:05, 10:35
OPEN SEASON (PG) (10:05 @ $5), 12:35, 2:45, 5:05

AMC SELECT
BABEL (R) ✓ (10:00 @ $5), 1:05, 4:10, 7:15, 10:20
RUNNING WITH SCISSORS (R) (11:35 @ $5), 2:25, 5:15, 8:05, 10:55
MARIE ANTOINETTE (PG13) (10:10 @ $5), 1:10, 4:05, 6:50, 9:45

AMC COLUMBIA MALL 14
10300 Patuxent Parkway
410-423-0520

A GOOD YEAR (PG13) (11:30 @ $5), 2:20, 5:00, 7:40, 10:20
HARSH TIMES (R) (11:10 @ $5), 1:50, 4:30, 7:10, 9:50
THE RETURN (PG13) (11:20 @ $5), 1:45, 4:00, 6:20, 8:40, 11:00
STRANGER THAN FICTION (PG13) (11:50 @ $5), 2:40, 5:20, 8:00, 10:50
BORAT (R) 12:00, 2:30, 4:45, 7:00, 9:15, 11:30
FLUSHED AWAY (PG) (10:50 @ $5), 1:20, 3:40, 5:55, 8:20, 10:40
THE SANTA CLAUSE 3: THE ESCAPE CLAUSE (G) (11:05 @ $5), 1:35, 4:05, 6:40, 9:05, 11:25
SAW III (R) 12:40, 3:10, 5:50, 8:30, 11:10
FLAGS OF OUR FATHERS (R) (10:45 @ $5), 1:40, 4:35, 7:30, 10:25
THE PRESTIGE (PG13) 12:30, 3:30, 6:30, 9:30
THE PRESTIGE (PG13) CC 12:30, 3:30, 6:30, 9:30
MAN OF THE YEAR (PG13) (11:40 @ $5), 2:25, 5:10, 7:50, 10:45
THE DEPARTED (R) 12:05, 3:20, 6:50, 10:05
OPEN SEASON (PG) (10:55 @ $5), 1:05, 3:15

AMC SELECT
BABEL (R) 1:00, 4:10, 7:20, 10:30
RUNNING WITH SCISSORS (R) 5:25, 8:10, 11:05

LOEWS FAIRFAX SQUARE 8
8065 Leesburg Pike
703-506-9857 802

DON (NR–NOT RATED) 1:00, 5:00, 9:00
FLAGS OF OUR FATHERS (R) 1:10, 4:00, 7:20, 10:00
FLICKA (PG) 12:35, 2:45, 4:55
THE GUARDIAN (PG13) 7:00, 9:50
OPEN SEASON (PG) 12:55, 2:55, 5:00, 7:30, 9:40

AMC SELECT
CATCH A FIRE (PG13) 12:40, 2:50, 5:00, 7:40, 9:55
RUNNING WITH SCISSORS (R) 12:45, 4:15, 7:10, 10:10
THE ILLUSIONIST (PG13) 12:30, 3:00, 5:25, 7:50, 10:10
LITTLE MISS SUNSHINE (R) 12:50, 3:05, 5:25, 8:00, 10:20

MAGIC JOHNSON CAPITAL CENTRE 12
800 Shopper's Way, Largo
301-324-4220

THE RETURN (PG13) 2:10, 4:40, 7:10, 9:40
BORAT (R) 2:30, 5:00, 7:30, 9:55
FLUSHED AWAY (PG) 12:50, 1:50, 3:00, 4:20, 5:25, 6:50, 7:55, 9:00, 10:00
THE SANTA CLAUSE 3: THE ESCAPE CLAUSE (G) 2:20, 4:50, 7:20, 9:50
SAW III (R) 2:00, 2:50, 4:30, 5:20, 7:00, 7:50, 9:30, 10:20
THE GRUDGE 2 (PG13) 2:15, 4:45, 7:15, 9:45
THE DEPARTED (R) 12:40, 3:40, 6:55, 10:05

AMC SELECT
BABEL (R) 12:45, 3:45, 6:45, 10:10
CATCH A FIRE (PG13) 2:35, 5:35, 8:05, 10:25
COLOR OF THE CROSS (PG13) 2:40, 5:10, 7:40, 10:15

LOEWS SHIRLINGTON 7
2772 South Randolph
703-671-0910 801

AMC SELECT
BABEL (R) 1:50, 4:40, 7:30, 10:10
CONVERSATIONS WITH GOD (PG) 4:30, 9:30
DRIVING LESSONS (PG13) 1:30, 4:10, 7:40, 9:40
THE QUEEN (PG13) 1:20, 2:00, 3:50, 5:00, 7:00, 7:50, 9:10, 10:00
THE LAST KING OF SCOTLAND (R) 1:40, 4:20, 7:20, 9:50
THE SCIENCE OF SLEEP (R) 2:10, 7:20
LITTLE MISS SUNSHINE (R) 2:20, 4:50, 7:10, 9:20

AMC TYSONS CORNER 16
7850 Tysons Corner Center
703-998-4262

A GOOD YEAR (PG13) ✓ (11:15 @ $6), 2:05, 4:55, 7:40, 10:25
HARSH TIMES (R) ✓ (11:30 @ $6), 2:15, 5:05, 8:05, 10:55
THE RETURN (PG13) ✓ (10:40 @ $6), 12:50, 3:00, 5:10, 7:35, 9:50, 12:05
STRANGER THAN FICTION (PG13) ✓ (10:35 @ $6), 1:30, 4:30, 7:30, 10:20
BORAT (R) ✓ (10:15, 11:25 @ $6), 12:45, 1:55, 3:15, 4:25, 5:45, 7:00, 8:20, 9:35, 10:50, 11:55
BORAT (R) CC ✓ (11:25 @ $6), 1:55, 4:25, 7:00, 9:35, 11:55
FLUSHED AWAY (PG) ✓ (10:00 @ $6), 12:10, 2:25, 4:45, 7:10, 9:25, 11:40
THE SANTA CLAUSE 3: THE ESCAPE CLAUSE (G) ✓ (10:05 @ $6), 12:25, 2:55, 5:25, 7:50, 10:15
SAW III (R) (10:10 @ $6), 12:35, 3:05, 5:35, 8:25, 11:00
THE PRESTIGE (PG13) 12:55, 2:20, 4:05, 7:00, 8:40, 10:00
MAN OF THE YEAR (PG13) (11:05 @ $6), 1:50, 4:35, 7:20, 10:05
THE DEPARTED (R) (10:45 @ $6), 12:40, 4:10, 5:20, 7:25, 10:45, 11:50

AMC SELECT
BABEL (R) ✓ 12:20, 3:35, 7:15, 10:35
MARIE ANTOINETTE (PG13) (10:50 @ $6), 1:40, 4:40, 7:45, 10:30
THE QUEEN (PG13) (11:00 @ $6), 1:45, 4:15, 7:05, 9:40, 12:00

AMC COURTHOUSE PLAZA 8
Courthouse and Birch Rd.
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A GOOD YEAR (PG13) ✓ (10:45 @ $5), 1:40, 4:15, 7:10, 9:45
THE RETURN (PG13) ✓ (10:20 @ $5), 12:30, 2:30, 4:35, 6:45, 9:00
STRANGER THAN FICTION (PG13) ✓ (11:00 @ $5), 1:45, 4:45, 7:40, 10:30
FLAGS OF OUR FATHERS (R) (10:05 @ $5), 1:00, 4:05, 7:00, 10:00
THE PRESTIGE (PG13) (10:30 @ $5), 1:30, 4:30, 7:20, 10:15
THE DEPARTED (R) (10:00 @ $5), 1:10, 4:20, 7:30, 10:45

AMC SELECT
BABEL (R) ✓ (10:15 @ $5), 1:20, 4:40, 7:45, 10:50
MARIE ANTOINETTE (PG13) (11:15 @ $5), 1:55, 4:50, 7:50, 10:40

AMC COUNTRY CLUB MALL 6
Country Club Mall on Vocke Rd near Route 68.
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A GOOD YEAR (PG13) ✓ 1:15, 4:20, 7:10, 9:50
FLUSHED AWAY (PG) ✓ 12:40, 2:45, 5:00, 7:30, 9:40
THE SANTA CLAUSE 3: THE ESCAPE CLAUSE (G) ✓ 12:40, 3:00, 5:30, 7:50, 10:20
FLAGS OF OUR FATHERS (R) 1:00, 4:00, 7:00, 10:00
MAN OF THE YEAR (PG13) 7:40, 10:20
MAN OF THE YEAR (PG13) CC 7:40, 10:20
OPEN SEASON (PG) 12:50, 3:00, 5:10

AMC SELECT
ONE NIGHT WITH THE KING (PG) 1:15, 4:10, 7:20, 10:00

LOEWS WISCONSIN AVE. 6
4000 Wisconsin Avenue, N.W.
202-244-0880

HARSH TIMES (R) 1:50, 4:30, 7:20, 9:50
THE RETURN (PG13) 1:30, 4:00, 7:00, 9:45
SAW III (R) 2:10, 4:45, 7:15, 9:35
FLICKA (PG) 1:40, 4:40
THE GUARDIAN (PG13) 2:00, 5:00, 8:00
OPEN SEASON (PG) 2:15, 4:50
JACKASS: NUMBER TWO (R) 7:30, 9:30

AMC SELECT
CATCH A FIRE (PG13) 7:10, 9:40

LOEWS DUPONT 5
1350 19th St.
1-800-FANDANGO #711

THE DEVIL WEARS PRADA (PG13) 2:40, 5:20, 7:50, 10:10

AMC SELECT
INFAMOUS (R) 1:45, 4:30, 7:10, 9:40
CONVERSATIONS WITH GOD (PG) 2:10, 4:50, 7:20, 9:50
DRIVING LESSONS (PG13) 2:00, 4:40, 7:00, 9:30
THE ILLUSIONIST (PG13) 2:30, 5:10, 7:40, 10:00

LOEWS WHITE FLINT 5
North Bethesda
1-800-FANDANGO #741

BORAT (R) 2:10, 4:40, 7:25, 9:45
THE SANTA CLAUSE 3: THE ESCAPE CLAUSE (G) 2:15, 4:30, 7:05, 9:30
THE PRESTIGE (PG13) 2:00, 4:55, 7:35, 10:25
THE DEPARTED (R) 3:00, 7:00, 10:05

AMC SELECT
BABEL (R) 1:50, 4:35, 7:30, 10:30

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Television

I'LL BE BACK: Lena Headey, left, will play the titular character in "The Sarah Connor Chronicles," a new Fox TV show based on the female buttkicker from the "Terminator" movies. The series will be set after "Terminator 2: Judgment Day."

ON TV THIS WEEKEND

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Bear Grylls hosts **MAN VS. WILD** (Fri., 9 p.m., Discovery). He's a veteran of the British Special Forces who has climbed Mt. Everest. On "Man vs. Wild," he survives some of the world's most unforgiving terrain with little more than a canteen of water and the clothes on his back.

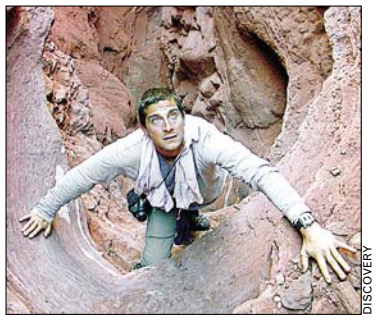
At one point, Grylls offers a Special Forces trick that you may not want to try at home. He urinates on his T-shirt and then wraps it around his head, promising us that the evaporating liquid will help him stay cool. It's shocking, until you remember that his life was not in danger. A camera and, presumably, a crew are monitoring his adventure. Given their presence and the availability of, say, a bottle of mineral water, you wonder if such stunts are really necessary.

MEGA-PULSAR! TURBO LASER!

Adama and Laura debate weapons and tactics on **BATTLESTAR GALACTICA** (Fri., 9 p.m., Sci Fi).

WELCOME BACK; THE LAUNDRY'S REALLY BEEN PILING UP

WOMEN AT WAR: COMING HOME (Fri., 10 p.m., WE) follows four female soldiers on their tours of duty in Iraq and Kuwait.



DISCOVERY

BEAR IN THE WILD: A rare sighting of an explorer in his natural habitat.

WE HAVE MAKE SPECIAL FUN!

MXC (Fri., midnight, Spike) returns for a fifth season. "MXC" takes a popular Japanese game show and overdubs it with unrelated and nonsensical English dialogue.

COLD-HEARTED

News about the ice truck killer on **DEXTER** (Sun., 10 p.m., Showtime).

GREAT SONG TITLE; LOUSY BAND

Fans of "24" who can't wait for the series to return in January can console themselves with a glance at star Kiefer Sutherland's extracurricular activities, chronicled in the documentary **I TRUST YOU TO KILL ME** (Sat., 9 p.m., VH1). Sutherland admits readily that working as the star and executive producer of "24" has consumed much of his time. So Sutherland has channeled his energies into forming his own independent record label and promoting the rock 'n' roll band Rocco DeLuca & the Burden. The documentary's title refers to one of the Burden's songs, and the film does a good job of showing the difficulty of life in a touring band. We also see how difficult it is to break into a music business geared toward post-adolescent pop music.

BLOODY BUSINESS

Veterans Day programming includes **COMBAT HOSPITAL** (Sat., 8 p.m., CNN), a look — both grim and inspiring — at the work of five doctors, 14 nurses and 22 medics in a Baghdad emergency room that treats wounded soldiers fresh from the combat zone.

THE QUEEN OF COPS

After stellar performances as Queen Elizabeth I in "Elizabeth I" and Elizabeth II in "The Queen," Helen Mirren returns to the role that made her famous, Detective Jane Tennison, in "Prime Suspect: The Final Act" on **MASTERPIECE THEATRE** (Sun., 9 p.m., PBS).

PBS

'PRIME' TIME: Detective Jane Tennison is on duty for a final episode.

BACK AND SCARY

A prodigal dealer returns from prison on **THE WIRE** (Sun., 10 p.m., HBO). KEVIN MCDONOUGH (UNITED FEATURE SYNDICATE)

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LOCAL CHANNELS	WRC 4	News CC		Nightly News	Access Hollywood	1 vs. 100 (iTV) (N) CC		Las Vegas "The Story of Owe" (N)		Law & Order "Release" (N) CC		News CC	Tonight Show
	WTTG 5	Every-Raymond	The Simpsons	The Simpsons	Seinfeld CC	Vanished "The New World" (N) CC		Trading Spouses: Meet-Mommy		News		News	Geraldo at Large
	WJLA 7	News CC	ABC Wld News	Wheel of Fortune	Jeopardy! (N)	Grey's Anatomy CC		Men in Trees "The Menaissance" (N)		20/20 CC		News CC	(:35) Nightline
	WUSA 9	News CC	Evening News	9News Tonight	Entertainment	Ghost Whisperer "The Night We Met"		Close to Home (N) CC		NUMB3RS "Hardball" (N) CC		News CC	Late Show
	WDCA 20	Scrubs CC	Scrubs CC	Judge Joe Brown	Judge Judy (N)	Desire Rita uncovers a secret. (N)		Fashion House "Sabotage" (N) CC		The Tyra Banks Show Mary J. Blige.		Still Standing	Still Standing
	WMPT 22	The NewsHour With Jim Lehrer (N)		Business Rpt.	State Circle	Washington Week	NOW (N) CC	The World War II Memorial: A Testament to Freedom			A Gathering of	Sierra Center Stage "Marcia Ball"	
	WETA 26	BBC World News	Business Rpt.	The NewsHour With Jim Lehrer (N)		Washington Week	Inside Wash.	NOW (N) CC	AIR: America's	American Masters CC		Charlie Rose (N) CC	
	WHUT 32	White House	Tavis Smiley	BBC World News	Moneywise	Evening Exch	To the Contrary	History Detectives CC		BBC World News	Tavis Smiley	Charlie Rose (N) CC	
	WDCW 50	My Wife and Kids	My Wife and Kids	Friends CC	Friends CC	WWE Friday Night SmackDown! The Animal Batista gets his hands on Finlay.				Will & Grace	Will & Grace	Sex and the City	Sex and the City
BASIC CABLE	A&E	Crossing Jordan "Dead Wives Club"		CSI: Miami "Losing Face" CC		CSI: Miami "Wet Foot/Dry Foot"		CSI: Miami "Just One Kiss" CC		CSI: Miami "Ashes to Ashes" CC		CSI: Miami "Broken" CC	
	Animal	The Crocodile Hunter Diaries CC		Buggin' With Ruud CC		Meerkat Manor	Meerkat Manor	World's Ugliest Dog Competition		Miami Animal Police "Exotic City"		Buggin' With Ruud CC	
	BET	106 & Park: BET's Top 10 Live Top 10 countdown. (N)			★★ "Beef" (2003, Documentary) Feuds between hip-hop artists lead to more record sales. CC					Comicview CC		Jamie Foxx	Jamie Foxx
	Bravo	Top Chef Weight-loss camp. CC		Inside the Actors Studio Hugh Grant.		★★★ "Bridget Jones's Diary" (2001) Renée Zellweger, Colin Firth. CC				★★★ "Bridget Jones's Diary" (2001) Renée Zellweger, Colin Firth. CC			
	Comedy	(5:00) ★★★ "Rolling Kansas" (2003)		Scrubs CC	Scrubs CC	Daily Show	Colbert Report	Chappelle's Show	South Park CC	Com.-Presents	Com.-Presents	Com.-Presents	Jay Mohr CC
	Court	Hollywood Heat	Masterminds	Cops CC	Cops CC	Under Fire	Under Fire	Forensic Files	Forensic Files	Forensic Files	Forensic Files	Dunne: Power, Privilege & Justice	
	Discovery	It Takes a Thief "Little Women"		Dirty Jobs Working in a rock quarry.		Dirty Jobs "Coal Miner" Coal mining.		Man vs. Wild The heat in Moab, Utah.		I Shouldn't Be Alive (N)		Stunt Junkies	Stunt Junkies
	DISCH	Code Blue "Fighting the Good Fight"		Impact: Stories of Survival CC		Dr. G: Medical Examiner CC		Dr. G: Medical Examiner CC		Skeleton Stories (N)		Dr. G: Medical Examiner CC	
	Disney	Life With Derek	Zack & Cody	Hannah Montana	Zack & Cody	★★★ "Freaky Friday" (2003) Jamie Lee Curtis, Lindsay Lohan. CC				Hannah Montana	Hannah Montana	Zack & Cody	That's So Raven
	E!	House of Carters	House of Carters	E! News (N)	The Daily 10 (N)	Dr. 90210		Sports Stars, Private Lives		The Soup (N)	Child Star Con.	E! News	The Daily 10
	FX	King of the Hill	King of the Hill	That '70s Show	That '70s Show	That '70s Show	That '70s Show	That '70s Show	That '70s Show	That '70s Show	That '70s Show	Nip/Tuck	
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	Family	Everwood CC		Gilmore Girls "Double Date" CC		★★ "Au Pair" (1999) Gregory Harrison, Heidi Noelle Lenhart. CC				Whose Line?	Whose Line?	The 700 Club CC	
	History	Mega Disasters CC		Our Generation	Mail Call CC	Shootout! "Battle of the Bulge" (N)		The Lost Evidence "Battle of Britain"		Dogfights "Air Ambush" (N) CC		Secret Allied Aircraft of WWII CC	
	Lifetime	Reba CC	Reba CC	Still Standing	Still Standing	Reba CC	Reba CC	★★ "Lucky 7" (2003) Kimberly Williams-Paisley, Patrick Dempsey. CC				Will & Grace	Off the Leash
	MTV	Yo Momma	Your Movie Show	Real World	Laguna Beach	Laguna Beach	Laguna Beach	2006 MTV Europe Music Awards		Real World-Rd	Real World-Rd	Rob & Big	Rob & Big
	NICK	SpongeBob	SpongeBob	SpongeBob	SpongeBob	★★★ "The SpongeBob SquarePants Movie" (2004)			SpongeBob	Full House CC	Fresh Prince	Roseanne CC	Roseanne CC
	SCIFI	Stargate SG-1 "Into the Fire" CC		Heroes "Nothing to Hide" CC		Doctor Who "The Idiot's Lantern" (N)		Battlestar Galactica (N) CC		Doctor Who "The Idiot's Lantern"		Battlestar Galactica CC	
	SPIKE	CSI: Crime Scene Investigation CC		CSI: Crime Scene Investigation CC		CSI: Crime Scene Investigation CC		CSI: Crime Scene Investigation CC		★★ "Days of Thunder" (1990, Action) Tom Cruise, Robert Duvall.			
	TBS	Seinfeld CC	Seinfeld CC	Every-Raymond	Every-Raymond	★★★★ "The Wizard of Oz" (1939) Judy Garland, Frank Morgan. CC (DVS)				(:15) ★★★ "Father of the Bride" (1991) Steve Martin, Diane Keaton. CC			
	TLC	Jamie's Kitchen		Take Home Chef	Take Home Chef	Cover Shot	Cover Shot (N)	What Not to Wear "Shireen M." (N)		What Not to Wear "Nancy G." CC		What Not to Wear "Shireen M." (N)	
	TNT	Law & Order "Stiff" CC (DVS)		Without a Trace "Manhunt" CC		★ "Gone in Sixty Seconds" (2000, Action) Nicolas Cage, Angelina Jolie. CC (DVS)					★ "Exit Wounds" (2001) Steven Seagal, DMX. CC		
	USA	Law & Order: Criminal Intent "Want"		Law & Order: Criminal Intent CC		★★★ "The Mummy" (1999) Brendan Fraser. Premiere. A mummy seeks revenge for a 3,000-year-old curse. CC						House "Fools for Love" CC	
	VHI	Storytellers Dixie Chicks.		40 Greatest Pranks				Ice-T's Rap	Brk. Bonaduce	Hogan Knows	Hogan Knows	Best Week Ever	Williams Exper.
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SPORTS	ESPN	SportsCenter (Live) CC			NBA Shootaround	NBA Basketball Miami Heat at New Jersey Nets. (Live) CC					NBA Basketball Detroit Pistons at Los Angeles Lakers.		
	ESPN2	Billiards: 9-Ball Finals		Honor Roll (N) CC		College Football Texas-El Paso at Alabama-Birmingham. (Live) CC						Quite Frankly With Stephen A. Smith	
	CSN	BCS Breakdown	SportsNite CC	NBA Basketball Milwaukee Bucks at Washington Wizards. (Live)					Wizards Post.	SportsNite (Live) CC		Ralph Friedgen	Final Score
NEWS	CNN	Lou Dobbs Tonight CC		The Situation Room		Paula Zahn Now CC		Larry King Live CC		Anderson Cooper 360 CC			
	FNC	Special Report (Live) CC		The Fox Report With Shepard Smith		The O'Reilly Factor (Live) CC		Hannity & Colmes (Live) CC		On the Record-Van Susteren		The O'Reilly Factor	
	MSNBC	Tucker		Hardball CC		Countdown With Keith Olbermann		MSNBC Documentary		MSNBC Documentary		MSNBC Documentary	
MOVIES	AMC	(5:00) ★★★ "The Green Berets" (1968, Drama) John Wayne, Jim Hutton. 'G'				★★★★ "Patton" (1970, Biography) George C. Scott, Karl Malden, Michael Bates. Gen. George S. Patton fights World War II. 'PG' CC							The Green Berets
	TCM	★★ "Strange Cargo" (1940, Adventure) Joan Crawford. 'NR' CC				★★★ "Barabbas" (1962, Adventure) Anthony Quinn, Silvana Mangano, Arthur Kennedy. 'NR'					★★ "Day of the Evil Gun" (1968) Glenn Ford. 'G'		
	HBO	Million Dollar	Fur: Imaginary	Inside the NFL CC		★★ "Fantastic Four" (2005, Action) Ioan Gruffudd. 'PG-13' CC				The Wire "Corner Boys" CC		Real Time (S Live) CC	
	MAX	(:15) ★★ "Aces: Iron Eagle III" (1992) Louis Gossett Jr. 'R' CC				★★★ "Twister" (1996, Action) Helen Hunt, Bill Paxton. 'PG-13' CC				★★ "Mr. & Mrs. Smith" (2005, Action) Brad Pitt. 'PG-13' CC			
	SHOW	Without a Paddle	★ "The Cookout" (2004) Ja Rule. iTV. 'PG-13' CC			★★★ "Dave Chappelle's Block Party" (2005, Documentary) iTV. 'R'				Masters of Horror Vampire meeting.		Dexter (iTV) Surprise for Dexter.	
	TMC	(:15) ★★ "The Sweeper" (1996, Drama) C. Thomas Howell. 'R'				★★ "Saw" (2004, Horror) Cary Elwes. 'R' CC			(:45) ★★ "Highlander: The Final Dimension" (1994) Christopher Lambert.				★★ Brain Dead
	STARZ!	(4:40) ★★★ "Out of Sight" (1998)		(6:50) ★★★ "Sin City" (2005, Crime Drama) Jessica Alba. 'R' CC				★★ "The Brothers Grimm" (2005, Fantasy) Matt Damon. 'PG-13' CC				(:10) ★★★ "Casanova" (2005) 'R'	
	ENCORE	(:15) ★★ "Six Days, Seven Nights" (1998) Harrison Ford. 'PG-13' CC				★★ "XXX: State of the Union" (2005) Ice Cube. 'PG-13'			(:45) ★★ "Metro" (1997, Action) Eddie Murphy, Michael Wincott. 'R' CC				What's Love

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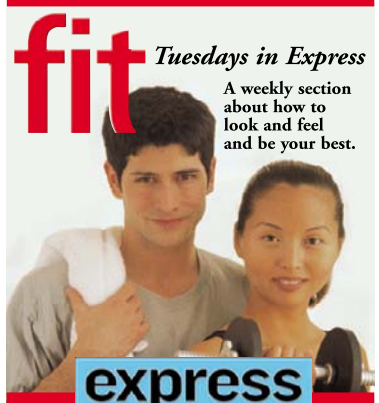

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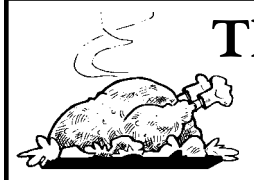

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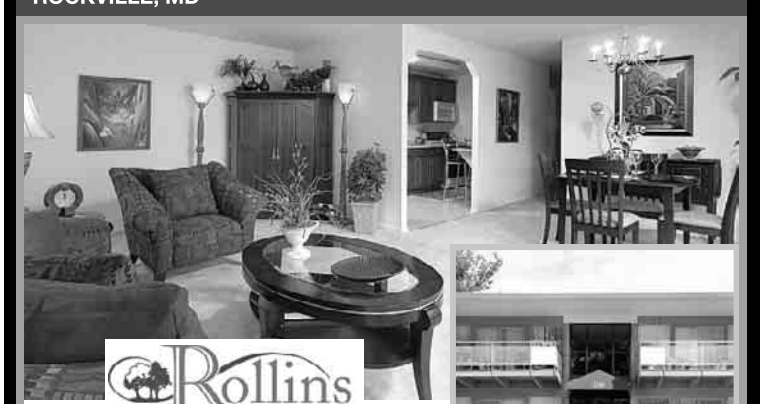

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RICHARD DREW/AP

NOT EXACTLY VELVEETA: Cheese man Brian Ogden checks a pressed sheep's milk cheese from the French Pyrenees.

Say Cheese

Food

White-collar workers ditching jobs to have fun with fromage

Day after day at work, Brian Ogden found himself sitting in front of a computer and staring at the lower right corner — the tiny clock on the screen ticking on, all too slowly.

"I was bored out of my mind," said the 32-year-old database expert. So he quit his job at a Massachusetts high-tech company and moved to New York to start an unpaid internship — to learn all about cheese.

And not just any cheese. Ogden works at the Artisanal Cheese Center, a 10,000-square-foot space on Manhattan's West Side that is evidence of a growing trend in the United States. Gourmet cheese production has expanded dramatically, with people like Ogden getting into the business.

While many young men and women in the European countryside — Spain, France, Italy, Germany, England — are leaving their parents' centuries-old, labor-intensive craft of cheesemaking for easier jobs, Americans are eager to take up the slack.

> "Cheese is a living food that needs loving care: It needs to be washed, patted and turned over to mature to its greatest potential."
>
> MAX MCCALMAN
> MAITRE FROMAGER

"We have more cheesemakers who have decided to ditch their Wall Street jobs and want to start over, finding a piece of paradise on a farm someplace," says Vermont cheesemaker Allison Hooper, president of the 1,200-member American Cheese Society.

The Artisanal Cheese Center supplies cheese to restaurants, hotels, shops, cruise ships and individuals. Hundreds of cheeses mature in the center's second-floor "caves" — five temperature- and humidity-controlled chambers with doors as airtight as those of a safe.

"Cheese is a living, breathing food that needs tender loving care: It needs to be washed, patted and turned over to mature to its greatest potential," says Max McCalman, a "maitre fromager," or cheese master.

The new cheese aficionados are helping promote a food whose U.S. production has doubled in two decades, says Dick Groves, who publishes the Cheese Reporter in Madison, Wis. The average American eats more than 31 pounds of cheese a year.

"I love food — so why not take something you love and turn it into a career?" Ogden said on the third day of his three-month internship at the Artisanal Cheese Center.

McCalman oversees operations at the center that was opened in 2003 by star chef Terrence Brennan. The center stocks up to 100,000 pounds of cheese a year, while also offering educational programs for professionals and amateurs, a private-events space and a telephone crew that takes orders from across the country.

"The discovery of fine wines has proceeded at a steady pace over the past quarter-century," he writes. "Now it's cheese's turn."

VERENA DOBNIK (AP)

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Trying Times at Gallaudet

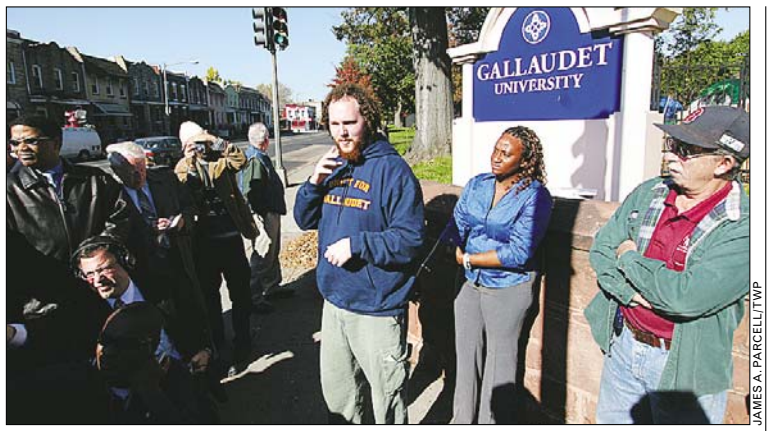
UNREST | That loud whooshing sound? That's headlines from Gallaudet University, rushing in to replace the news vacuum in the wake of the midterms. Not that there's a dearth of news stories, exactly, but we're now in the heavy analysis and bitter recriminations stage of the news cycle. For the fresh stories, look (again) toward the nation's premier deaf university.

Forbes provides the rather mundane observation that the protests that unseated Jane K. Fernandes, who had been appointed president of the school, were facilitated by handheld technology. The kids these days, etc. With all due respect to the extra communication hurdles that distance introduces for deaf individuals, just ask, oh, any person in D.C. whether his or her BlackBerry is indispensable.

In a perfect convergence of election and university news, Sen. John McCain, R-Ariz., has resigned from the university oversight board in frustration over its decision to fire Fernandes. Board chair Jo Brueggemann, a professor at Ohio State University, also resigned due to dissatisfaction with the majority decision.

Gallaudet's going to want some kind of straight-talker on its board if reports that administrators have dishonestly changed students' grades are accurate. The Washington Post has it that as many as five students' failing grades were changed to something above failing, according to "internal documents and interviews."

KRISTON CAPPS



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The student protests are over, but Gallaudet University's troubles continue.

Rumsfeld's Fan Club

NOTED | Thursday's poll question, "Was President Bush right to replace Donald Rumsfeld?," brought out the defense secretary's detractors, but also at least one fan. Said commenter Jackie, "I loved Rummy. No one relishes sending troops to war, but when America's security was perceived in jeopardy, he heeded the country's call."

➜ Coming Up Today

Which NFL teams will no longer be playoff possibilities after this weekend? Express' Chris Mincher weighs the possibilities.

Poll Center

TODAY'S QUESTION

Do the election results make you optimistic about Iraq?

1. Yes
2. No

YESTERDAY'S RESULTS

Was President Bush right to replace Donald Rumsfeld?

YES	NO
88%	12%

As of 5:30 p.m. Thursday. Not a scientific poll.

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The Blog Log

"CBS News' Ed Bradley dead at 65 ... God bless him, as he was, and still is, an inspiration to me."

SOULFULLOFTHOUGHTS.BLOGSPOT.COM MOURNS THE "60 MINUTES" CORRESPONDENT, WHO DIED OF LEUKEMIA IN NEW YORK ON THURSDAY. BRADLEY HAD COLLECTED 19 EMMY AWARDS IN HIS BROADCAST JOURNALISM CAREER.

Lesson: Don't Mess Up

"You shouldn't believe anyone has real answers about what this stuff 'means' to Joe Blow. Everyone agrees the GOP was taught a lesson, but you'd be hard-pressed to get a consensus on exactly what that lesson might be."

AVERAGEBLOGGER.COM NOTICES EVERYONE HAS A THEORY ON THE GOP BUST, BUT IT'S ALL MONDAY QUARTERBACKING.

Her Arctic Inner Circle

"She's likely to replace three key players in the gas-line negotiations: the commissioners of natural resources and revenue, and the attorney general ... they'll need to be objective."

ALASKANABROAD.TYPEPAD.COM ON HOW ALASKA GOV.-ELECT SARAH PALIN'S HIRING WILL AFFECT STATE FUEL OPERATIONS.

Man — With a Plan?

"The Arts and Culture Element in the Comp Plan revision is pretty lame. I am surprised that people in the arts realm think it's good, but they are so starved for appreciation that they welcome even crumbs."

URBANPLACESANDSPACES.BLOGSPOT.COM HOPES NEW D.C. MAYOR ADRIAN FENTY CAN DO SOMETHING TO IMPROVE THE PLANNING OF DISTRICT CULTURAL RESOURCES.

Wait ... Can I Still Be President?

"So, Allen has conceded. That's the 'conventional wisdom' for you — a guy people were touting as THE man for 2008's presidential run, considered unbeatable in his home state. What is he now?"

BOZTOPIA.LIVEJOURNAL.COM DOESN'T MIND A LITTLE ALLEN MOCKING — A REMINDER THAT NATIONAL POLITICIANS HAVE TO BE ACCOUNTABLE TO THEIR HOME STATE OR THEY CAN LOSE IT ALL.

Live Online

D.C. Schools

ROBERT BOBB, the newly elected president of the D.C. Board of Education, was online Thursday at washingtonpost.com to discuss his plans for the city's public schools.

When I voted for you on Tuesday at Garnett Patterson Middle School, I was shocked by the state of disrepair of the building (cracked paint, rotting wood, graffiti, unmowed grass, beer cans and trash strewn about, dead trees, etc.). What will you be doing to provide an appropriate, safe and well-kept learning environment that our children deserve?

I bring a sense of urgency to the repair of our existing school facilities. The conditions at Garnett Patterson Middle School you referenced are a disgrace that speaks to a lack of urgency on the part of the board and superintendant. I will challenge the school administration to move quickly.

What are your plans, if any, to bring more male involvement and fathers into school and into the education of children?

The school system must partner with the Fatherhood Initiative Project, the Concerned Black Men, Mentors Inc., faith-based organizations and others to get more men involved, particularly when men can serve as role models and mentors to young males.

What will you do, if anything, to encourage more middle- and upper-middle-class families to attend public schools?

My top priority is to move aggressively in implementing the master education plan, as well as other proven education models that will improve student achievement, thus creating a high-performing public education system where DCPS is the education of choice.

How do you feel about a year-round school schedule or other alternative schedules?

I will support a year-round school plan that is intellectually thought through, with the budget implications fully developed.

DO | **GO INTO BLACK FRIDAY WITH A PLAN.** It's impossible to do all your Christmas shopping on Black Friday — usually because you don't have enough time beforehand to go through all the holiday sale ads. But, this year, someone leaked the Wal-Mart BF ad pages. Map out your shopping strategy at Gottadeal.com.

TODAY ON LIVE ONLINE: Washington Post Associate Editor Robert G. Kaiser takes a look at post-election Washington at noon | **washingtonpost.com/liveonline**

Look out

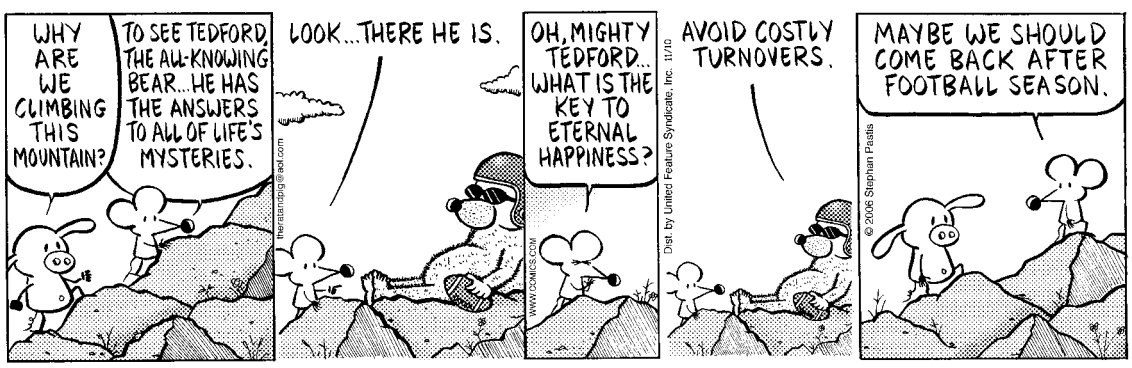
Bizarro | *Dan Piraro*

Cornered | *Mike Baldwin*

"Steak? Let's go with the fish. It's brain food. After, if you still think eating steak is a good idea, we'll do that."

Pooch Cafe | *Paul Gilligan*

Pearls Before Swine | *Stephan Pastis*



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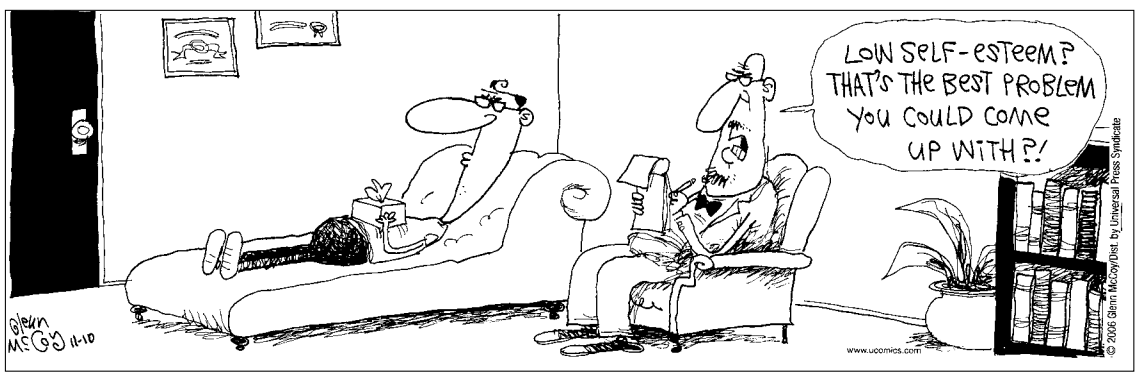

Horoscope

By Stella Wilder

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) This is a good day to share stories of past successes with those who have been in your shoes — and plans for future triumphs, as well.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) It may be up to you to let those around you know exactly what is expected of them. Your best bet is to set yourself up as an example.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) You mustn't spend too much time making plans for the future as long as current affairs are being mismanaged. Focus on immediate concerns now.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) Concentrate on your primary goal, and you'll surely make a good deal of progress. Let yourself be distracted and you risk much.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) Let bygones be bygones, and focus on how you and a rival can work together rather than on how past tensions have gotten in the way.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) You're in for a surprise or two before the day is out. Look around you for signs of what is to come, and you'll anticipate as well as you can.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) You will have to make up your mind about both friends and foes. Be sure your working relationships remain positive and productive.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Plans may change, but your overall motives are likely to remain intact. Take care things don't become overly emotional.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) You'll see a great deal around you that can inspire you and propel you in an exciting new direction. Don't cut all former ties, however.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) You'll receive encouragement from others all day long, but you must still work hard to overcome your own private doubts. Focus on specific tasks.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) You may have to repeat yourself again and again all day long, owing to a precious few who seem bent on ignoring what you have to say.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) You may feel there is something missing — but you can supply it for yourself and others in spades as soon as it is identified.

Letters

Questioning United's Coach

JONATHAN CLAPP'S LETTER ("More to United Than Adu," Nov. 8) criticizes Express for overly focusing on one player while an article ("United Weighing Offseason Options") acknowledges D.C.'s lack of a true target forward as an obvious hole and speculates on whether Freddy Adu and coach Peter Nowak will be back next season. Both miss the obvious point about United's narrow loss to New England. Why would Nowak replace Alecko Eskandarian, a starting forward, and Adu, an attacking midfielder, with midfielders when losing 1-0? Why not, instead, send in more forwards in hopes of tying the score? Even if such a decision were to backfire by leaving the team too vulnerable on defense, United would still be eliminated just by a 3-0 score rather than 1-0.

—DINO DRUDI
Washington, D.C.

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Today in History

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1871 Journalist-explorer Henry M. Stanley finds Scottish missionary David Livingstone, who had not been heard from in years, near Lake Tanganyika in central Africa.

1938 Kate Smith first sings Irving Berlin's "God Bless America" on her CBS radio program, which aired Thursdays.

1954 The Iwo Jima Memorial is dedicated by President Eisenhower in Arlington, Va.

1969 The children's educational program "Sesame Street" makes its debut on PBS.

1975 The ore-hauling ship Edmund Fitzgerald and its crew of 29 vanishes during a storm in Lake Superior.

2001 Author Ken Kesey dies in Eugene, Ore., at age 66.

Look out | People

GETTY IMAGES

He stole all that grizzled stubble.

LESSER BALDWINS

Man, Some SUV Owners Just Cannot Take a Joke!

DANIEL BALDWIN has been arrested on suspicion of stealing an SUV. Baldwin was stopped by officers who saw him in a white GMC Yukon reported stolen. "The car belongs to an acquaintance of Mr. Baldwin, but he had no permission to take it," said a spokesman for the Orange County sheriff's department. (AP)

EMPLOYMENT

Madonna's Publicist Totally Hired Them on the Spot

Two senior Malawian officials have praised **MADONNA** for adopting a child. "What Madonna has done is great," said Education Minister Anna Kachikho during a visit Thursday to a school in Scotland. (AP)

CHRIS PIZZELLO/AP

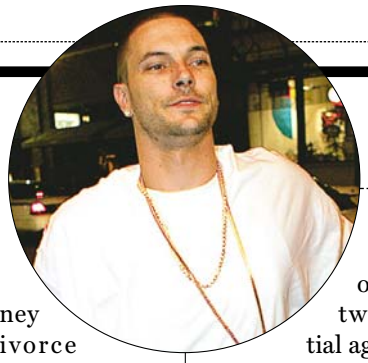
FALLING OBJECTS

Look Out Beloow!

A spokeswoman for **DENISE RICHARDS** blamed aggressive paparazzi for a run-in that prompted her to toss two laptops from a balcony, injuring two elderly women on Wednesday. Richards was filming for "Blonde and Blonder" when she allegedly confronted a photographer trying to take her picture. "They are lucky their laptops were the only things that were thrown off the ledge," Richards' publicist, Nicole Perez, said. (AP)

IDIOTS

'Incurably Insane' Better Reason Than 'Irreconcilable Differences'



K-Fed clearly thinks he's someone else.

A day after Britney Spears filed divorce papers, **KEVIN FEDERLINE** counter-filed court papers Wednesday seeking sole custody of the couple's two children. The aspiring rapper is also seeking spousal support. He says the couple's community assets are "uncertain," though Spears said in her papers there were none to speak of, suggesting the two had a prenuptial agreement in place. "Kevin is prepared to go the distance in order to do what he feels is necessary to protect and safeguard the children and will not be intimidated," said Michael Sands, spokesman for Federline's attorney, Mark Vincent Kaplan. (AP)

ANCESTRY

Theory That Stars Are Hatched Loses Credibility

The ancestry of some famous Americans, including **TOM CRUISE** and Donald Trump, is revealed in immigration records released Thursday by ancestry.co.uk. The site hosts records from England, Scotland, Ireland and Wales, with lists of passengers on voyages from the British Isles to the United States between 1820 and 1960. For example, Cruise's great-great-grandfather, Dylan Henry Mapother, emigrated to Louisville, Ky., in 1850 from Wales. And Trump's mother, Mary MacLeod, traveled from the Isle of Lewis, Scotland, to America onboard The Transylvania in 1935. (AP)

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So Cruise wasn't made by a crazy scrapbooker out of yarn and hot glue?

5 Day Forecast for the Washington Area

Today	Tonight	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday
Morning fog, mostly sunny	Partly cloudy	Partly sunny, then cloudy, rain	Mostly sunny, breezy, cooler	Partly sunny	Mostly cloudy, chance of rain
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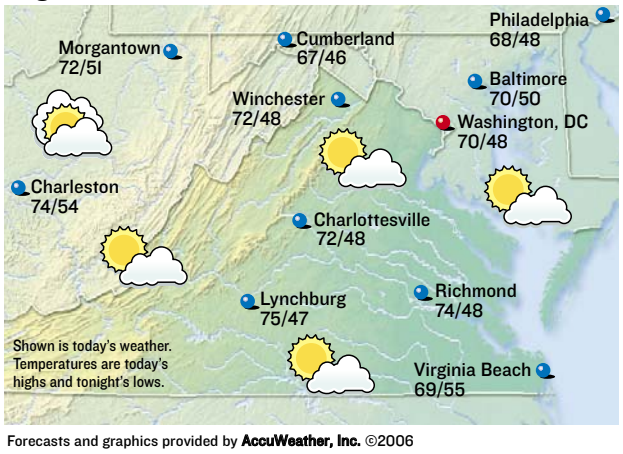

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Regional Forecast

D.C. Metro: Today, foggy areas early, mostly sunny. High 70. Wind east-southeast 4-8 mph. Tonight, partly cloudy. Low 48. Wind south 4-8 mph.

Sun and Moon

Sunrise today	6:45 a.m.
Sunset tonight	4:59 p.m.
Moonrise today	9:35 p.m.
Moonset today	12:10 p.m.

Last	New	First	Full
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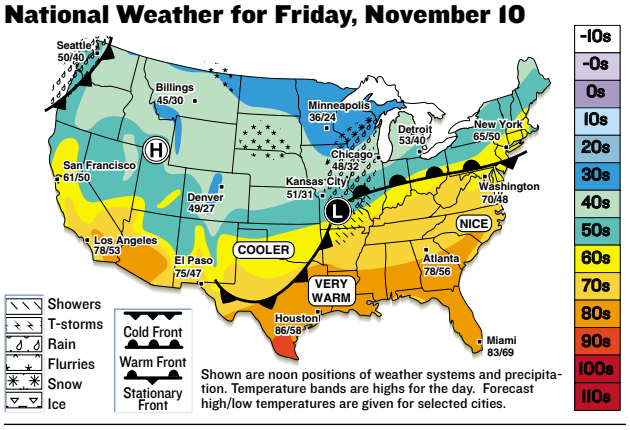
National Weather for Friday, November 10



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National Cities

City	Today Hi/Lo/W	Sat. Hi/Lo/W
Atlanta	78/56/pc	72/45/c
Boston	60/44/s	62/42/pc
Chicago	48/32/r	46/31/s
Dallas	74/46/pc	67/49/s
Denver	49/27/pc	54/29/pc
Honolulu	86/72/s	84/73/s
Los Angeles	78/53/s	68/54/pc
Miami	83/69/s	84/70/s
New York City	65/50/s	63/46/pc
Orlando	80/56/s	82/62/s
Seattle	50/40/r	47/40/r

World Cities

City	Today Hi/Lo/W	Sat. Hi/Lo/W
Amsterdam	52/46/pc	52/45/r
Athens	66/54/pc	63/46/c
Berlin	46/36/pc	46/37/r
Buenos Aires	77/52/s	79/54/s
Calgary	32/23/c	32/21/c
Dublin	55/41/r	50/39/sh
Geneva	57/41/s	60/38/s
Moscow	32/23/sn	24/18/c
Rome	66/48/c	66/46/s
Sydney	70/61/s	78/67/pc
Tokyo	69/55/pc	59/51/r

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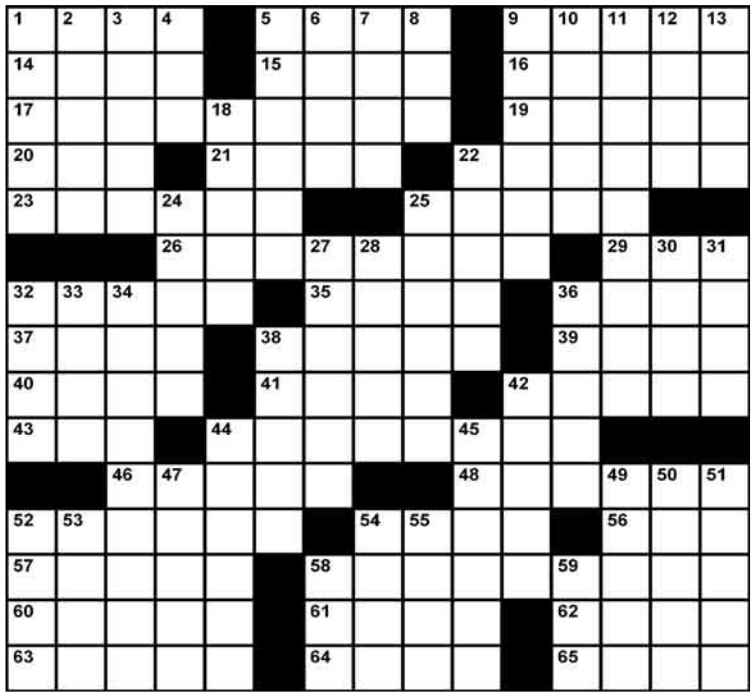

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ACROSS
1 Create
5 Insect in its cocoon
9 Sickly pale
14 Stork relative
15 Tough task
16 Stratified rock
17 You can't eat with just one
19 Grocery containers
20 Plan B for a motorboater
21 Baseball legend Rose
22 Pendant
23 Delphi prophet
25 Cold weather garb
26 Located nearest to the rear
29 Small business co-owner, often
32 Not spoken
35 Part of SSE
36 The Eternal City
37 Ship underside
38 Dr. of literature
39 Nuncupative
40 Extremely dry
41 Out of work, e.g.
42 Declares as true
43 Forty winks
44 High standing achieved through success
46 Prepared cotton for shipment
48 Wrist bone
52 Pleasant smells
54 Prez backup
56 "Sands of ___ Jima"
57 Vaulted over
58 Holiday dessert choice
60 "Okie From Muskogee" Haggard
61 "M*A*S*H" star
62 Yellowish brown
63 Threw in
64 Speak roughly
65 Gets hitched to

DOWN
1 Prefix with phone or transmitter
2 Really dislike
3 Plains Native American
4 Uncommon sense
5 Unlawfully distilled whiskey
6 Type of pricing
7 Purplish-brown color
8 "Funny you should ___"
9 Place into groups
10 Crude dwelling
11 Looped bridle
12 Actress Sommer
13 Treetop retreat
18 Divide evenly
22 Doesn't fall apart
24 Pediatrician's patient
25 Hot milk curdled with ale
27 Conveyed real estate
28 Heavy hammers
30 Actor Sharif
31 Torme and Blanc
32 Comparing conjunction
33 Halo effect
34 Portable writing surface
36 Generic canine name
38 Family founders
42 Visibly shocked
44 Having a metal coating
45 Arctic sight
47 More than enough
49 Part of a whole
50 Emmy or Oscar, e.g.
51 Water lily
52 Diva Gluck
53 Marsh plant
54 Capital of Vanuatu
55 Wraps up
58 Make imperfect
59 Sound from a kitty

Yesterday's Solution

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Yesterday's Solution

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▪ **Anyone who says** there are no second acts in American music hasn't listened to the sad, sublime songs Aimee Mann's done since "'Til Tuesday." Her wry, yet heartbroken tunes starred on the "Magnolia" soundtrack and solo CDs. Now, the princess of plaintive turns her emotive soprano to yuletide music with "One More Drifter in the Snow" (Superego), which boasts a killer, bluesy "God Rest Ye Merry Gentlemen" and other vocal treats.

What holiday music do you like?
I don't really like modern sounds on holiday records. No "Electronica Christmas" for me. My favorites are from the 1940s and 1950s, like Dean Martin and Frank Sinatra.

Do you pay homage to those guys on "Drifter"?
I wanted to hint at some of the old-fashioned arrangements that are almost corny. But it's a fine line — I've tried to keep the record in that mellow, we're-sitting-by-the-fire-place-with-eggnog mood.

What do you and your husband [musician/Sean Penn sib Michael Penn] do to celebrate the season?
It's hit or miss, because I'm often on tour. But one of our good friends decided we should have a Victorian Christmas, so he did research on cooking a goose. And one year Michael created an Ethiopian rub for a deep-fried turkey.

How have you guys decorated your place in Los Angeles?
I'd describe it as 1912 fleamarket/opium den. Michael collects old magic tricks, so we've got those around. We have an Edison Victrola, a wheelchair from the 1930s and African masks on the wall.

Do you collect anything yourself?
For some ungodly reason, I used to collect little plush stuffed Santas. I probably have about 25 of those. Some are sitting around the living room, so it's perpetually Christmas. It's a little creepy.

You're from Richmond. What do you miss about Virginia?
I think Virginia is really lovely. Being in L.A., I miss living in a smaller town. Los Angeles is kind of lacking in history and architecture. I miss living in what seems like an actual place.

You always dress so chicly when you're performing. What's your style secret?
On stage, there are considerations like comfort — you don't want anything that'll clank up against the guitar. If there are big buttons or anything, you have to cover them up with tape. I like this Los Angeles label called Tree because they have stylish stuff that won't get destroyed.

> "For some ungodly reason, I used to collect little plush Santas."

What's it been like to see '80s clothes return?
There are certainly some things I'm not happy to see come back. Nobody looks good in really tight, ankle-hugging pants. But as long as shoulder pads don't return, I'll be OK.

You love to box, right?
It's so much more complicated than it looks! It seems like it'd be easy to hit something, but it's hard to master the punches. Before I did it, I thought it looked like two doofuses punching each other.

JENNIFER BARGER (EXPRESS)

IN THE POST TODAY

CHILD'S PLAY
Go inside the area's booming children's theater scene in the Weekend section.

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3 Chip Leader

AND YOU THOUGHT DILL PICKLE potato chips were crazy. Try Aztec Chocolate. The sweet snack (they taste kind of like Taco Bell Cinnamon Crispas) is one of five exotic flavors in the Kettle Foods Party Pack ($20, passporttoflavor.com), along with Island Jerk, Royal Indian Curry, Dragon 5 Spice and Twisted Chili Lime. Sample all five, then vote on the next one Kettle should mass-market.

Grab Bag

1 The Power Of Pastels

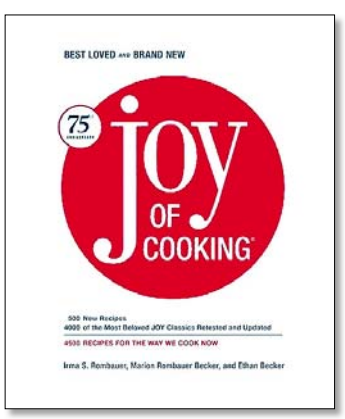
DUMP THE YELLOW TAIL for an Aussie wine with more spunk—or, at least, bubbles. "Pink" by Yellowglen ($12) and its forebear "Yellow" (also $12) are Oz's hottest sparkling wines, and now they've come Stateside. The simple names scrawled on the label are self-explanatory: Yellow is all Chardonnay, while Pink is a rosy blend of Chardonnay and Pinot Noir. Guys may not want to lug it to Super Bowl parties, though.

2 Ruff and Roll

IF "PROJECT RUNWAY" winner (and rock-style proponent) Jeffrey Sebelia were a dog, he'd surely don new Hounds of Hell custom canine patches and jackets ($75-$500, marthabuckley.com). Leather, denim, skulls and Gothic crosses meet on goods at once tough and cute.

4 'Joy' to The World

A TRUE MINIMALIST could equip a kitchen with an iron skillet, a good knife and "Joy of Cooking," now out in a 75th anniversary edition ($30, Scribner). The culinary classic has 500 new recipes, including a handful for sushi, but hangs on to some of the enduring favorites (we grew up on the tuna casserole).



5 Under 5 Fashion

WHEN MOM wears Chip & Pepper jeans and Splendid tees, might Baby and Junior get jealous and whine for designer clothes of their own? Urban Chic in Georgetown (1626 Wisconsin Ave. NW; 202-338-5398) angles to create a new generation of fashionistas, both girl and boy, with newborn to tween-sized goods like a C&C California hoodie ($57) and Frankie B. jeans ($143). The Web site (urbanchic-dc.com) features more things to tempt you from putting cash in to the old college fund.

dear manolo

ANSWERS FROM THE SHOEBLOGGER

I'm a woman of a "certain age" who works in a predominantly male field. I'm getting a BIG promotion in January, one that will require I spend lots of time in the public eye. I tend to dress very conservatively, mostly in pantsuits and jackets with lots of structure. How can I jazz things up a bit? —NANCY

■ Manolo says, the mere century ago, only the most utopianist of the writers could have imagined the world in which the women would attain such positions of great power, although usually these writers also imagined the steam-powered robot butlers and

the silvery, unisex jumpsuits for everybody. Sadly, we do not yet have the robots, but happily, do not yet have to wear the jumpsuits. Although this lack of uniform jumpsuiting, it still leaves the powerful woman with the same old dilemma: what to wear. All the Manolo can say is, thank heavens for the shoes! Even the dullest outfit of powerful conformity can be enlivened by the beautiful shoes, like the Atelier from the Bettye Muller ($369, zappos.com), which combines the most restrained and classic shape with the luxurious and handsome brocade upper.

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ON THE COVER

Kendra wears a Heyne Bogut dress ($195, Betsy Fisher, 1224 Connecticut Ave. NW; 202-785-1975), **cameo ring** ($60, South Moon Under Clarendon, 703-807-4083) **and dangling earrings** ($18, urbanout fitters.com). **Photo by Michelle Repiso. Styling by Lauretta McCoy. Model from Cima Talent Management.**

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Highland Fling

The Scots invented plaid centuries ago, when Bravehearts wore it to war and to hang in heather. Since then, punks, Catholic girls and grunge gods have co-opted tartan. "Like dots or stripes, it's a basic fashion keeps whipping out," said Heyne Bogut's Karen Bogut, who, with hubby Paul Heyne, creates clansman-gone-Ramones plaid styles. Other labels high on Highlands put the pattern on shorts, hoodies and shoes. Wanna check in? Know a wee bit looks bonny, but plaid head to toe makes you look like a bagpiper. JENNIFER BARGER (EXPRESS)

Plaid often comes in scratchy wool. But Brooklyn gem dandy Alexis Bittar makes his tartan pins out of smooth resin. They'd look killer tacked to a solid-colored winter coat. ($475 and $375, alexisbittar.com or 212-625-8340).

Suited for a stroll on the moors, but perhaps not caber tossing, Parameter's A-line, bracelet sleeve wool jacket pairs prettily with jeans, a pencil skirt or its matching slip dress. The print subtly riffs on the over-exposed Burberry classic. (jacket $343, dress $253, girlshop.com)

Did you ever see a lassy so sassy she'd put on plaid hot pants? Ground Frenchi's short shorts with black tights and non-pub-wench footwear like ballet flats or riding boots. ($32, Nordstrom, Pentagon City; 703-415-1121)

Good for a Glasgow ball — or worn over a black turtleneck for work — Trina Turk's bustier comes in girly, pink-on-black tartan. ($158, Nordstrom, Pentagon City; 703-415-1121)

Rendered in crisp silk organza, a tartan somewhere between Angus and Wallace goes uptown on Diane von Furstenberg's dress. ($465, Urban Chic, 1626 Wisconsin Ave. NW; 202-338-5398). Paired with Tarina Tarantino's Lucite Mod Bead choker ($120, tarinatarantino.com) and Andrew Stevens' velvet boots ($68, Shoefly, 2618 Wilson Blvd., Arlington; 703-243-6490 and 1520 U St. NW; 202-332-1077), it's ideal cocktail party wear. But, please order Glenlivet, not Irish whiskey.

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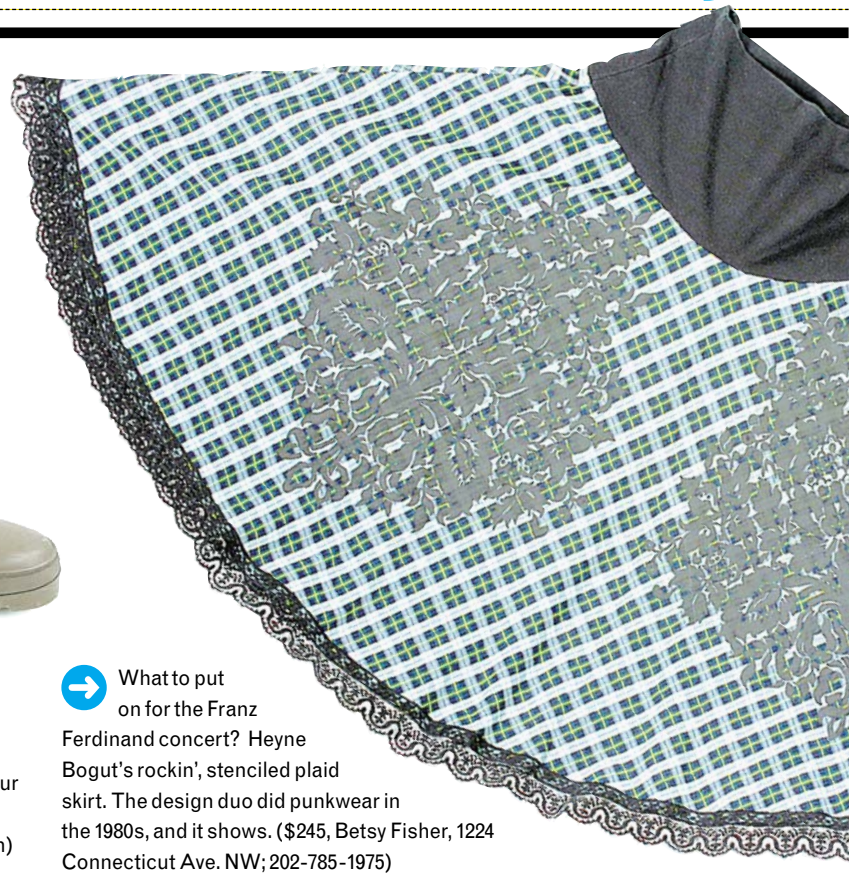
Somewhere, Kurt Cobain is smiling, because grunge glam has returned via Free People's hoodie. Its bandmates? A mini and leggings. ($108, girlshop.com)

Wellies fit for trudging over hill and dale (or on the banks of Loch Ness) boast rubber feet and plaid uppers. Tuck your jeans into 'em or combine with a dress for a mad-as-Lady Macbeth mix. ($78, jcrew.com)



What to put on for the Franz Ferdinand concert? Heyne Bogut's rockin', stenciled plaid skirt. The design duo did punkwear in the 1980s, and it shows. ($245, Betsy Fisher, 1224 Connecticut Ave. NW; 202-785-1975)

It's a sash, it's a hair band, it's a scarf, it's bag swag! Ashley Sharpe's silk tie trimmed with plaid ribbon is a true fashion multitasker. ($68, Sugar, 1633 Wisconsin Ave. NW; 202-333-5331)

Out walking your Scottish terrier, iPod blasting "The Bay City Rollers' Greatest Hits," what else would you carry besides Rampage's tassle-wearing, cute as a tam-o'-shanter satchel? ($82, zappos.com)

Ruffles and a diagonal print similar to the tartan of Clan Gordon give this crisp button-down a punchy look. Wear it under a blazer to cubicle land. ($29, Zara, 1238 Wisconsin Ave. NW; 202-333-6647)

Skinny jeans, a slim black blazer and a Debbie Harry-ish tee cry out for Jeffrey Campbell's sweet-yet-subversive red flats. ($65, flipfloptrunkshow.com)

Get Tartaned Up

Yeah, plaid's a fad lately. But if you like your prints on the traditional side, it's not necessary to jet to Edinburgh to indulge a taste for tartan. In Alexandria, founded by Scots in 1749, the Scottish Merchant (215 King St.; 703-739-2302; scottishmerchant.com) traffics in plaid scarves, men's ties and Celtic jewelry.

For straight-from-the-homeland stuff, scotwebstore.com is a big-as-the-Highlands online shop. Its cool tartan-finder lets you click through 6,416 varieties; all can be made into kilts. Plaids also decorate wearables from scrunchies to cummerbunds. Or show MacDonald or Stewart colors with duvets, place mats and hot-water bottle covers, which must be nice in such a cold climate. J.B.

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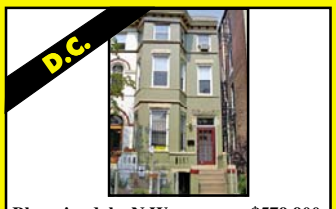

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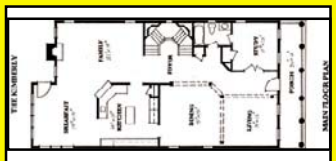

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Party Monsters

Veteran hosts and partygoers reveal the most painful peeves

It's the time of year when we Washingtonians get to endure annoyances at social events we don't wish to attend or throw. Prepare to face the warm white wine, the lone, communal hand towel in the toilet-paperless bathroom and the total lack of parking at a host's home on Saturday night. Guests are guilty, too. Shrimp hoarders, door lingerers, diet-restriction listers — you know who you are.

To avoid irritating each other any more than is already inevitable, we asked notable D.C. party throwers and goers to bring such peeves to light.

Picture it. A waiter approaches with a tray of irresistible vegetable samosas. You take one and bite into it. Your throat rejects the scalding assault and sends curry-tinged projectiles of peas and carrots all over the person who, until that moment, was your boss.

Beware the booby-trapped hors d'oeuvres! Anne Schroeder, executive editor and gossip columnist of the Capitol Leader, does. "It's gotten to the point where I'm afraid to eat at parties," she said. "I avoid smile foes, like anything with sesame seeds, poppy seeds or spinach, or chomping on a lamb chop."

Hors d'oeuvres should be bite-sized (one bite), served without drippy sauces, not piping hot out of an oven or fryer and, ideally, free of detritus such as toothpicks, skewers, bones or shrimp tails.

Some problems occur even before the party takes place. Consider Evites. "I'm a working mother of two, so I get that Evites are easy," said Tammy Haddad, vice-president of MSNBC. "But when I'm culling through hundreds of e-mails daily, an invitation can be easily missed and deleted, especially if a file is attached. If people use Evites, they have to follow up with phone calls."

> "Arrive exactly on time for dinner parties, no more than half an hour late for cocktail parties, and never overstay."
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Valerie Ploumpis, associate director of Keidanren, the Japanese Business Federation, has Evite issues, too. "If you open one up and accept too quickly, you seem too eager," she contended. "But I do scrutinize the list of attendees. If I've dated more than a third of them, I won't go," she joked.

Among hosts, the greatest peeve by far is the failure to take RSVPs seriously. Eric Michael, co-owner of D.C.'s Occasions Caterers, said that "even to the most formal invitations, people either don't respond at all, accept and then fail to appear without calling or, even worse, refuse and then show up." He added: "I've seen National Gallery staffers, State Department officials and society matrons in ball gowns scramble at the last minute to rearrange tables."

Public relations and media consultant Heather Freeman concurred. "Our manners in D.C. have made place cards obsolete," she said. "Guests need to respect the parameters of an invitation. Arrive exactly on time for dinner parties, no more than half an hour late for cocktail parties, and never overstay."

Her particular peeve is the hand-talker. "A lady sitting next to me at a dinner party was talking with her hands so fast I could feel the breeze pass across my face. She spilled her wine, and mine, into my lap. Red wine." Freeman was nonplussed; she put two napkins in her lap, smiled and carried on. So the last word of party advice comes from her: "Never wear white." DAVID HAGEDORN

THE HOSPITABLE HOST

- Don't over-invite.
- If your event requires guests to manipulate a plate, glass, napkin and silverware, provide enough seating for everyone.
- Stock the bathroom with extra toilet paper and plenty of single-use-only hand towels.
- Can't afford a valet service? Apprise guests of the parking situation before they arrive.
- No one over the age of, say, 26 should be using plastic cups, plates or utensils.

bash in a flash

Every Fridge Has Its Day

On Nov. 15, it's time to finally acknowledge the intense rankness of your icebox. Wednesday is National Clean Out Your Refrigerator Day — created by Whirlpool in 1994 as a publicity stunt, but nonetheless a pragmatic excuse to party.

Pop open whatever libations you have stagnating, though first stock up on spirits, as there's probably a reason you've neglected them till now. "Serve something with mold on it," joked Larry Schlussler of appliance company Sun Frost. So, dig out the blue cheese and pair it with crackers. Ask everyone to bring magnets from their own fridges, then have a gift exchange. Afterwards, regale each other with refrigerator jokes. (How do you know if there are four elephants in your refrigerator? The Volkswagen is parked out front.) Finally, push back the chairs and rock out to Fridge Benefits, the latest album by The Refrigerators (the-refrigerators.com).

After seeing your guests off, follow Schlussler's advice to ensure the food doesn't spoil before the next shindig: "Always remember to close the door when you're finished." SARA KRUGER

event horizon

Stock up your cellar Saturday at Planet Wine's holiday festival. Sample 30 labels, munch on hors d'oeuvres and get a 10 percent discount. (Tallula, 2761 Washington Blvd., Arlington; $40-$45, 703-549-3444; planetwineshop.com)

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A Painful Task Is Now Less So

■ Muffin tops: To banish them, one can embark on an ambitious fitness program that will devour all of one's free time, or one can buy jeans that actually fit. The recently launched **ZAFU.COM** takes several variables — among them waist, thigh and butt shape, preferred rise and whether one suffers the dreaded butt cleavage-revealing waistband gap — and coughs up a list of jeans that will purportedly fit the best. While we were not going to buy some premium denim just to test a Web site (though we do plan to take its recommendations in the future), Zafu suggested jeans our testers actually own and love. While a few favorite brands (Salt Works, for instance) were excluded, it endearingly noted some lines we'd never even heard of, such as Kasil.

Zafu's cache of 200-plus jeans goes up to size 18, though the options are few past 12. And zaftig models are mixed in with skinnies, no matter what size one inputs. One tester felt her selections were "too Mom," and, indeed, the site asks for age but doesn't change its answers based on it — which simply means Zafu isn't going to save Dina Lohan from herself. HOLLY J. MORRIS (EXPRESS)

event horizon

As long as your mom and mother-in-law don't compare notes, no one needs to know you got them the same gift at the Strathmore Museum Shop Around, at which 19 local museum stores merge for a glorious gift-buying experience. Through Sunday; see strathmore.org for details.

Wine-ter Wonderland

'Tis the season to scope and sip at Virginia's fine vineyards

Only the sturdiest of the crimson and golden leaves still cling to Virginia's grapevines now, which to most people signals the end of wine-country visiting season in the Old Dominion. But to savvy sippers, this post-harvest period means it's time to get the car ready for the long and wining road.

In the past 15 years, regional oenophiles have gradually discovered the existence of their own neighborhood Napa. Here, sprawling vines grow on gorgeously landscaped properties dotted with lakes, courtyards and scenic spots just asking for a picnic on warmer days.

Thomas Jefferson first dreamt of launching a wine industry in these parts, but disease (and the that pesky American Revolution) interfered. But these days, more than 100 wineries operate in zones from the Blue Ridge mountains to the suburbs of Richmond. Food and Wine magazine praises the state's Viognier, a honeyed varietal that some folks say does better here than anywhere but France.

Thanks to that and other award-winning blends — spicy, red Cabarnet Franc, some tasty chards — a sipping road trip in these parts can transform even a rose rookie into a vino-swilling virtuoso in just a few visits. The problem? The influx of tourist traffic, often in massive groups traveling by bus or cheesy white limo, which can kill your enjoyment of a glass of chardonnay and a hunk of stinky cheese.

"On a busy Saturday, we can have 150 people in here at one time," said Dennis Horton, owner of Horton Vineyards (hvwine.com) about an hour and a half drive from D.C. in Orange County.

Now that the jostling, drunken crowds are starting to fade from the summer and early fall high, there's more of a chance for one-on-one chats with the wine pourers behind the tasting-room counters. "When it's slower, you have an opportunity to spend time with the people making wine, test your palate and get a decent education on how it gets to the bottle," said Horton.

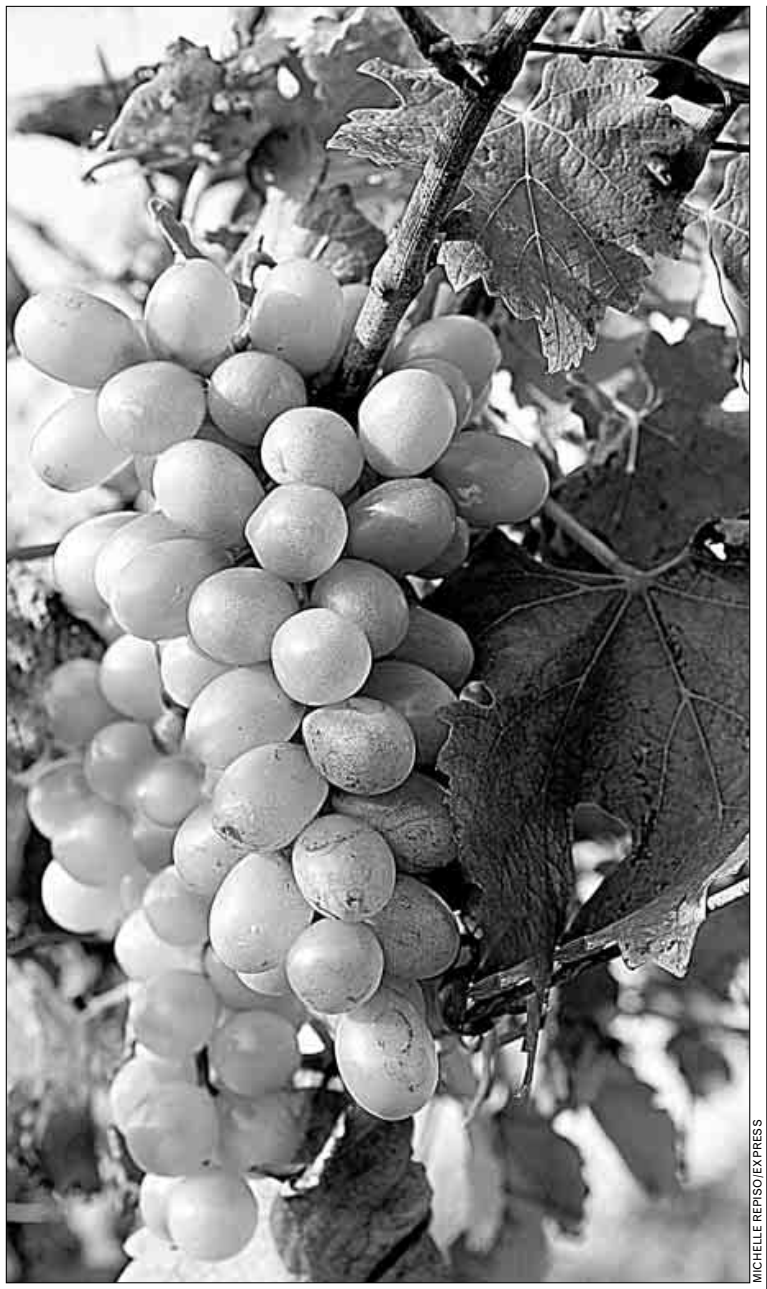
Although sitting outside on a deck is less appealing in frosty weather, there's no better way to fight the chill than holing up indoors with a glass of red or white. "Even when it's cold, it's nice and cozy in the winery," agreed Lydia Hansen of Prince Michel (princemichel.com), a vineyard located about two hours from D.C. on Route 29 that offers 20 varieties for visitors to sample.

Prince Michel visitors can amuse themselves with a self-guided indoor tour through a museum focusing on the history of wine-making and how it's done today at the vineyard. They can also peek at the steel tanks and barrels housing the fermenting liquid.

Tasting is certainly the best way to try to understand the unique character of Virginia's vino. Though oft-maligned by wine snobs, it's climbed in critical acclaim each year as the vineyards better learn which grapes are best suited for the soil and climate.

At Horton, for instance, the specialty is Viognier, along with Norton, a lesser-known red that dominated Virginia wine production in the 19th century. Jim Law, owner of cultishly popular Linden Vineyards (lindenvineyards.com) near Shenandoah National Park, suggests visitors try his Seyval, a fruity white wine made from a "grape that isn't grown much anywhere else in the world. It's quintessential Virginia," he said. As for a local red, opt for claret, with its hints of herbs and berries.

For a quiet visit, wine seekers aren't going to find a more serene setting than Linden, which has taken the unusual step of banning buses and limos. "Groups tend to be loud, and that changes everything. We're not a party place," said Law, who prefers couples and small groups to retain tranquility. Cheers to that. VICKY HALLETT (EXPRESS)



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GRAPE EXPECTATIONS: Since Virginia vineyards have harvested the fruit of their vines, now is an intoxicating time to take a road trip to the state's many wineries.

TIPS FOR WINE TRIPS

➜ Don't try to visit more than three vineyards in a day. "It becomes a rat race," said Law. "Settle and relax awhile when you find a place you like."

➜ Pick a sensible itinerary with stops close together. "You don't want to spend the whole day on the road," Horton said. It's easy to find clusters of wineries on virginiawineguide.com. Or just ask the pourers at your first stop where they recommend you sip and swill next.

➜ Aim for a mix of vineyards — some large, some small — to keep it interesting, said Hansen. Or make one grape your goal for the day, and compare Merlots at every spot you try.

➜ Check ahead of time for special events at the wineries you plan to visit. Getting to Linden at noon only to find you missed the educational vineyard tour at 11:30 (every Saturday and Sunday) would be a bummer.

DVIDER

DOTS ON THE SPOT: Vinyl stickers by dVider turn walls from plain Jane to dressed up. "It's a way to put a creative stamp on a room," said the company's Max Darby.

Deck the Walls

Hip decals and mod murals make vertical spaces groovy

A mammoth pediment from the British Museum dominates one wall of the bedroom at the Washington Design Center's current showhouse, "Modern with a Capital M" (300 D St. SW). Nah, it's not an architectural theft on par with the Brits nabbing bits of the Parthenon. It's Virginia interior designer Raji Radakrishnan's dramatic photo mural of toga-clad statues, created from shots she took on a recent trip. Visually stunning, it serves as a haute backdrop for a platform bed.

"It's a way to bring back memories," said Radakrishnan. "It looks very orchestrated, but it was quite simple to do." She had Blue River Digital (blueriverdigital.com, 800-706-4276) blow up her snapshots on high-quality paper, then pasted them on the wall.

Radakrishnan's showstopper highlights a new trend in interiors. Not only is wallpaper back in a big way, so are decor elements you might dub "wallternatives:" stuff to stick on drywall ranging from mod borders and scroll-like fabric flats to far-from-grannyish stencils.

RAJI RADAKRISHNAN

HOOKED ON CLASSICAL: Photos of a pediment from the British Museum morph into wild wallpaper in Raji Radakrishnan's room at the Washington Design Center.

"There's a stronger design awareness in America these days," said Max Darby, head of the team of designers at dVider (store.stickersbydvider.com), which creates stylin' vinyl wall stickers. "Putting a cool graphic on your wall is like wearing a T-shirt with a neat design."

DVider's stencil stand-ins ($19-$41) include a 22-inch bunny skull (so Donnie Darko!) and dandelions ready to plant in a row above a sofa. Another stick-on star: Blik (whatisblik.com), which does such delish decals as Baroque swirls, Space Invader aliens and Keith Haring dogs or dancers.

> "Putting a cool graphic on your wall is like wearing a T-shirt with a neat design."

Most innovative of all, decals are removeable, meaning you can change your pad's look with the seasons — or when your lease expires. "If you're a renter, vinyls are a way to add pattern," said decor blogger Grace Bonney, aka design*sponge (designsponge.blogspot.com). "It's like artwork."

Stencils, too, have moved way beyond those ubiquitous '90s ivy patterns. Cool Brit company Stencil Library (stencil-library.com) hawks designs ranging from rad (swirls of barbwire) to delightfully trad (knights for a starter castle). Brooklyn's Stencil 1 specializes in spray-your-own forms with a ripped-from-old-clip-art-books look: a go-go dancer, a chimp face ($10.50-$30, stencil1.com).

Rather than plaster a whole house with high-commitment, high-cost wallpaper, savvy nesters often festoon a single space. Maybe baby's lair gets a dVider dino and the foyer's all Stencil 1 skulls.

Dupont Circle's Tabletop (1608 20th St. NW; 202-387-7117) sells wall-adorning options like Inhabit's wall slats — long, skinny fabric panels depicting blades of grass or flowers ($128) — or Twenty2's Wallbands (15 feet, $58), which come in tone-on-tone stripes or crimson and gold filigree. "They add interest and light to a dark wall," said Tai Tsang, Tabletop's co-owner. Soon arriving: Inhabit's textured paper pulp Wall Flats, basically paintable, peel-and-stick tiles.

Like many design trends — pillows stitched with songbirds, china painted with Goth symbols — adding stylish symbols and textures to vertical space seems born of the DIY movement, an act of creativity that makes everyone an interior designer. "People might be in transit, but they want to make a statement," said Darby. "They craft their environments." JENNIFER BARGER (EXPRESS)

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Designs on a Dime — Almost

■ An ebonized bookcase for $357. A British Colonial dining table for $1,100. A linen club chair for $268. Big-shot stuff, marked down 40 to 70 percent, fills Georgetown's ex-Staples store (3307 M St. NW) Nov. 10 -15, 10 a.m.-6 p.m. The warehousey space, all artsy graffitied walls and dead-office-supply chic, overflows with overruns, slightly damaged or merely discounted furniture, and accessories from G-town's Gore Dean, Random Harvest and Random Harvest Studio. (Plus, there's Asian bling from Old Town's Banana Tree.) "My warehouse was full, so we needed to do this," said Beth Aberg, owner of Random Harvest, known for its eclectic mix of classy upholstery and quirky accessories. "There will be lots of one-of-a-kind things." J.B.

> Club chairs, Asian cabinets and funky accessories are going for a song, really.

event horizon

➜ Antiques expert Judith Miller, star of home TV and author of a zillion collectors' guides, talks about decorative arts and how they glorify the home. $25, Nov. 15, 6:30 p.m. Ripley Ctr., 1000 Jefferson Dr. SW; residentassociates.org

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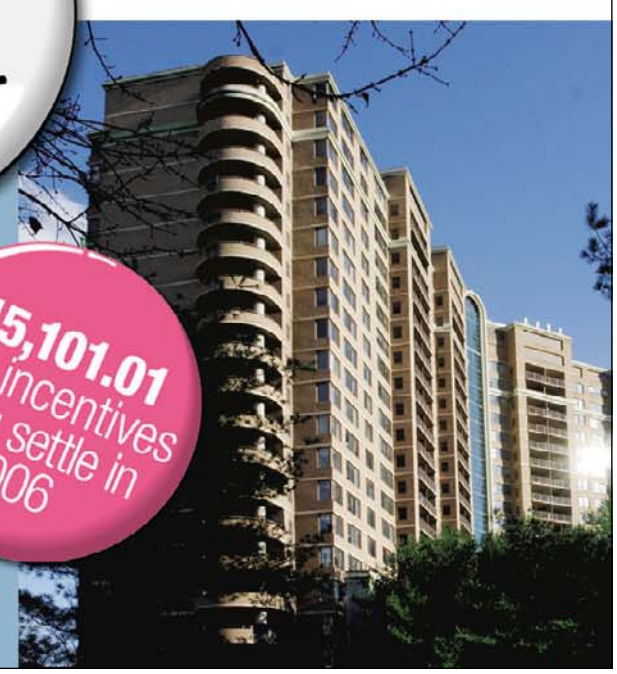

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High and Haute

Tips on spiral stair designs and nabbing a new chandelier

You read my design advice regularly here, so now I'm giving you some stylish homework: Watch me compete on HGTV's "Designers' Challenge" on Nov. 11 at 9 p.m. I was one of three interior designers competing to gussy up a penthouse loft condo in Adams Morgan. I proposed adding cool details like a custom AV center and a jazzy glass bar. Watch it and see whether the diva's design wins!

Q I have a spiral staircase off of my living room. It has 13 steps carpeted in beige, and it looks drab. I want to make it the focal point of the space. How do I make the steps pop? Should I ditch the carpet?

Lose the rug. Spiral staircases look bold with their bare metal structure revealed and painted a punchy color. Try Sherwin-Williams #SW 6881 Cayenne, an earthy hue.

Also, make sure you use a paint that's been formulated for porches and stairs, since those steps will get lots of foot traffic. Monarch Paint & Wallcovering Co. (several local branches; see monarchpaintandwalls.com) carries an oil-based product called "Porch & Floor" that can be mixed in any color of the company's paint rainbow. Then prepare to dramatically sweep down your hip new stairs!

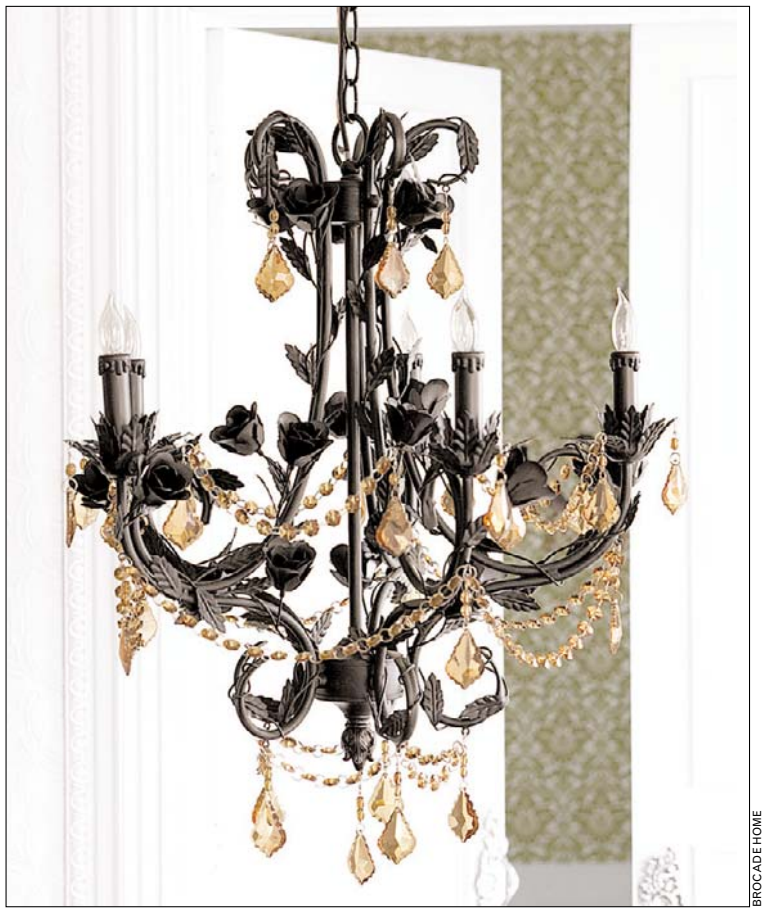
Q Are there any rules about how big a chandelier can and can't be for my dining room? I fear making it look like Dracula's lair. Any ideas about where to find one that isn't horribly expensive? I consider my style kind of rustic and countrified, but I'm no Laura Ashley.

Oversized pieces are in right now, so you have permission to go BIG. Avoid anything that's going to look undersized or dinky — it'll just seem odd and old-fashioned.

A good rule of thumb for chandelier diameter? It should be about half the width of your table. An easy way to estimate the maximum chandy height: Using a tape measure, put one end on top of your table and extend the tape to where you think the bottom of your fixture will be. If it hangs down so low it'd clunk dinner partiers on their heads, you need to go for something less tsar's palace-sized.

Your fixture doesn't even have to be a chandelier, since there are many creative interpretations of over-the-table lights now. Oversized lanterns are hot, ranging from the sort of elaborate metal models you might see outside the White House to Chinese silk beauties you can pick up for nearly nothin' — try World Market or justlanterns.com. Delicate crystal chandeliers from estate sales always look regal, and you can update them with modern lightbulbs or add colorful beaded or feathered shades (try onthebrightside.com). The Brass Knob (2311 18th St. NW; 202-332-3370; thebrassknob.com) sells antique lighting; you could also try eBay. You might need to have second-hand fixtures rewired.

If you seek something new, check out the catalog Brocade Home (brocadehome.com), which sells chandeliers studded with clear or colored crystals and sconces ($69-$599). They're quite neo-Baroque in feeling, and would look great over a feasting table.



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SPARKLE HOUSE: Brocade Home's Petal chandelier ($499) would gleam prettily over a dining room table or add princessy panache to a bedroom or living room.

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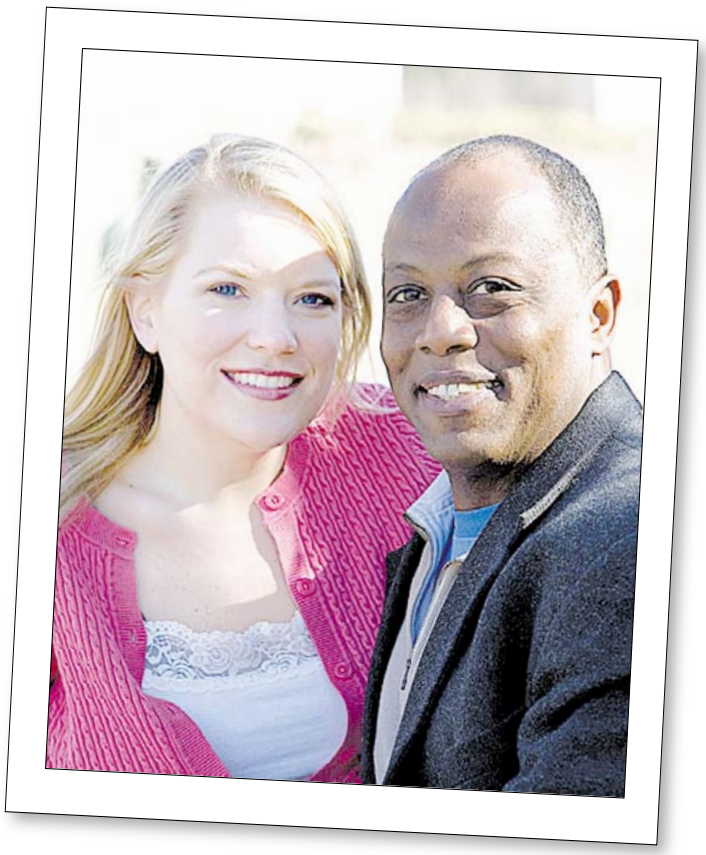
Bernadine Davis, Leroy Ray

Bernadine, 50, is a program analyst with the Environmental Protection Agency. Leroy, 61, is employed at Harold Pener Man of Fashion and is a minister. They will live in Hyattsville.

- **The Main Event:** A formal ceremony and reception on Nov. 18 in Washington, with 250 guests expected.
- **How They Met:** In the laundry room of Bernadine's sister's apartment building.
- **First Date:** Dinner at Copeland's in Rockville.
- **Most Hated Clothing Item:** "His Inspector Gadget trenchcoat," said Bernie.
- **The Dress:** The bride is making it herself. "I've sewn since I was about 10 years old. I need a pattern, but can make almost anything. Since we're older, all the ruffles and chiffon didn't work for me," she said.
- **Their Song:** "Praise Is What I Do." "It is what we do — we praise God for bringing us together."
- **Making It Unique:** Their wedding party will be entirely made up of their children and grandchildren.
- **Celebrating Heritage:** The couple will jump the broom and have an assortment of soul food at their reception.
- **Wedding Jitters:** "That we don't start on time," said Bernie. "I am a wedding planner and am concerned that something will go wrong and prevent the wedding from starting promptly."

The girls will wear organza and rhinestones, the guys tuxedos.

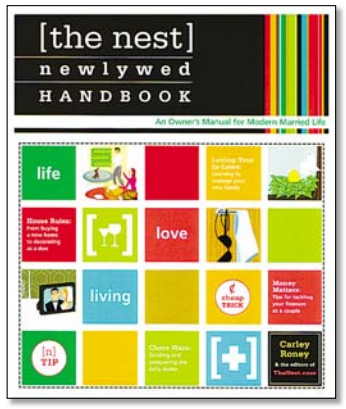


Back to the Future

It's said criminals always return to the scene of the crime, but the cliche also applies to **JENNIFER FIELD** and **RICARDO HARVIN**. After meeting online — "The first picture she sent me was so bad, tiny and grainy," said Ricardo — the two met at Old Ebbitt Grill for a drink. "The drink turned into dinner and about three hours later we were exchanging business cards and sharing our first kiss," he said.

The two will return to the D.C. institution for their Nov. 12 wedding. "We'll have our photo taken sitting on the same bar stools we sat on five years ago" said Jennifer. Their 75-guest semiformal reception ("I hope most guys will wear suits," said Jennifer. "Hint, hint.") promises to be a party: "Even my 98-year-old grandmother gets her wheelchair going when the music's playing," said Ricardo.

Jennifer, 38, is a graphic designer for the Executive Office of the President. Ricardo, 48, is a Web development manager for the U.S. Chamber of Commerce. They live in Dupont Circle.



From the Knot To Your Nest

No net-savvy couple plans a wedding without theknot.com. Now Carley Roney, editor in chief of The Knot and companion site The Nest, is sharing her wisdom in "The Nest Newlywed Handbook" ($22.50, Clarkson Potter).

Why did you write this book?
People will buy everything out there about their wedding. And then it comes to real life and they're hands-off. Relationships do not take care of themselves. People think that they have had these conversations, when they're really making assumptions.

Any big trends on the horizon?
Unique locations are going to be what couples strive for — art galleries, parks, family farms. Couples are going more green. It's not about being perfect; it's about being personal. They register to a charity, or use sustainable materials in their invitations, or make sure their food is given to a charity that feeds the homeless.

How about with wedding style?
There's an intensity of color that's very popular now: brown and purple and orange. Trumpet-style skirts were big at Fashion Week. Brides want to be sexy, but still traditional.

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Last Week's Solution

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How to Play

The rules of Samurai Sudoku are the same as in the popular Sudoku puzzles that appear in Express and The Washington Post.

As with standard Sudoku, the Samurai version requires no math, just logic, reasoning ... and an iron will. The goal is to fill in each column, row and 3x3 box with the digits 1 through 9 without repeating any. The twist in Samurai Sudoku is that the digits that appear in the overlapping boxes must work for both puzzles.

A piece of advice to get you started: Don't focus on completing one grid at a time. Keep the whole puzzle in mind as you go, because filling in a number in one grid could give you clues to another. As always, there's only one solution, which will appear in next week's edition of Weekend Styles.

Can't get enough Sudoku? Find a standard Sudoku puzzle in the Comics section of the Post every Sunday and in the Style section every Monday through Saturday.

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